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THE
SIXTY-SEVENTH REPORT
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TO
HIS EXCELLENCY GEORGE HENRY EARL CADOGAN, K.G.
LORD LIEUTENANT-GENERAL AND GENERAL GOVERNOR OF IRELAND.

May it please your Excellency,

WE, the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, submit to Your Excellency this our Sixty-seventh Report. In this Report the statistics of attendances, religious denominations, &c., in the schools, have been compiled for the year ended 31st December, 1900, while the statements connected with the expenditure of the Parliamentary grants, &c., refer to the year ended 31st March, 1901.

Period
for the
Statistics
and the
Expendi-
ture.

Before giving the usual information regarding our proceedings for the closing year of the nineteenth century, we deem the occasion opportune to allude briefly to the operations of this Board since its formation in 1831, because of the increased interest now taken in Irish educational matters, and also on account of the radical changes which have recently been made in the National System in regard to its school curriculum and the methods of administration.

The question of popular education in Ireland had occupied the attention of the Government for many years prior to 1831, but in that year it was announced in the House of Commons that the Government intended to introduce a system of public education in which no attempt should be made to influence or disturb the peculiar religious tenets of any sect of Christian pupils.

In a letter, dated October, 1831, the Right Hon. E. G. Stanley, then Chief Secretary for Ireland, communicated to the Duke of Leinster the main principles on which the Board of National Education was to be constituted and was to work. The Board was to be composed of Roman Catholic and Protestant Commissioners of high personal character, and it was to provide a system of combined literary and separate religious education, capable of being so far adapted to the views of the different religious persuasions in Ireland "as to render it in truth a system of National Education for the poorer classes of the community."

The Board was to be provided with funds from Parliament, and was to have absolute control over the disbursement of these funds, which were to be applied for aiding the erection of schools, training teachers, establishing Model schools, editing and printing books, paying inspectors and teachers, and defraying all other necessary expenses. The Board was to have complete control over the various schools; to grant aid to schools on condition that local funds were also provided for their support; to require that all schools should be kept open for a certain number of hours for combined moral and literary education only; and to make provision also for the separate religious instruction of pupils; to exercise entire control over all the books used in the schools; to allow individuals or bodies applying for aid to appoint the teachers, but on condition, *inter alia*, that the Board should have the right of fining, suspending, or removing teachers for a sufficient cause. The Board was also to have the right of visiting and inspecting the schools either by themselves or by their officers.

The first Board consisted of seven Commissioners, and met in December, 1831. A Code of Rules in consonance with the spirit of Mr. Stanley's letter was then drawn up. These Regulations were fairly well received at first, but troubles in connection with religious instruction soon beset the Commissioners, and at the end of 1834 there were only 789 National schools in operation. The Commissioners, however, modified their Code, and a marked increase in the number of schools was the immediate result. In 1835 there were 1,106 National schools in operation, with 145,521 pupils.

In 1832 the Christian Brothers placed certain of their schools in connection with the Board, but in 1836 most of these schools were withdrawn.

In 1833 the Commissioners had made arrangements for training teachers in their training establishment in Dublin, and in 1835 they projected the establishment of thirty-two Model and Normal schools, also for the training of Pupil Teachers. It was intended that these Model schools should be under the direction of teachers of superior attainments, and the schools were to be situated in different parts of the country.

In 1837 a Committee of the House of Lords and a Committee of the House of Commons held inquiries into National Education in Ireland, without arriving at any definite conclusions; but the evidence given before the Commission convinced the Board that the system required modification, and in 1838 a new Code of Regulations was issued. In this year (1838) the number of members of the Board was increased to nine, and in the year 1839 the number was further increased to twelve. In 1837 the Commissioners granted aid to two Agricultural schools, and in 1838 the Glasnevin Model Farm was opened. A number of Model Agricultural schools were subsequently established in different parts of the country. These had a somewhat chequered existence, and owing to recent changes there are now no agricultural establishments of any kind in connection with the Board.

At the end of 1839 there were 1,581 National Schools in operation, with 192,971 pupils.

In 1845 a Charter of Incorporation was granted by Her late Majesty Queen Victoria to the Board, and the number of the Commissioners was increased to fifteen. The National System now began to spread with rapidity through the country, and at the end of 1849 there were 4,321 Schools in operation, with 480,623 children on the rolls.

In 1850, in order to allay all fear of proselytism, the Religious Instruction Rules of the Board were made more definite. Convent and Monastic Schools were granted capitation payments, and other measures were taken to make the Board more popular. These measures had not the desired effect, and in 1854 an inquiry was held into the System by a Committee of the House of Lords; but, as in the case of former Commissions, no conclusions were arrived at. The Code was, however, subsequently modified by the provision that no fundamental Rule should be changed without the sanction of the Lord Lieutenant, and by the introduction of more stringent Conscience Clauses.

In 1861 a Supplemental Charter was granted to the Board, and the number of Commissioners was increased to twenty.

The System continued to expand, and in 1868-9 there were 6,586 National Schools in operation; but as there was still considerable hostility to the System as a whole, and to the Model Schools in particular, a Royal Commission of Inquiry was appointed and took evidence, which was submitted in a very exhaustive report in 1870.

Up to 1871 the payment of the National Teachers was made by class salaries and gratuities. In 1871-2 the Results System,

which had been in operation in England since 1863, was introduced into the National Schools in Ireland in a modified form. The Results System continued in operation in the National Schools up to April, 1900, and its influence on educational advancement, especially in the earlier years of its operation, was considerable. At the close of the year 1869 the number of National Schools was 6,707, and the average attendance was 358,560. In 1879 the number of Schools in operation was 7,522, and the average attendance was 435,054. In 1889 the number of Schools in operation had increased to 8,251, and the average attendance to 507,865.

Various Acts of Parliament relating to National Education in Ireland have been passed since 1875. In that year two Acts were passed, one providing for additional payments to National Teachers out of Union Rates, and another affording facilities for the provision of Teachers' Residences. In 1879 the Teachers' Pensions Act was passed. In 1881 an Act was passed to facilitate the making of leases of land for the erection of school buildings. In 1884 an Act was passed amending the law so as to provide for loans for the erection of Non-Vested schools and Training Colleges. In 1890 the Local Taxation Act was passed, which provided, *inter alia*, for additional payments to teachers; and in 1892-3 the Irish Education Acts were passed, providing for the compulsory attendance of children at school, the acquisition of sites for schoolhouses and Teachers' Residences, and for the payment of an additional grant to the Teachers called the "School Grant."

Although the Results System had been beneficial to the cause of National Education, yet the school curriculum under the system had been objected to for a considerable time as being too "bookish," and in 1897 your Excellency was good enough to appoint a Commission to inquire into the question of introducing Manual and Practical Instruction into the schools. The Commission, after taking extensive evidence both in the British Isles and abroad, recommended that the instruction in the schools should be made of a more practical character; that the general principles and methods of the Kindergarten system and Manual Instruction should be introduced and should be continued through all the classes; that Drawing should be made compulsory; that Elementary Science should form part of the curriculum; that Singing should be brought within the reach of all children; that drill and physical exercises should be introduced; and that the teaching of Agriculture should be practically dropped. Other recommendations, including a modification of the Results System, were included in the Report of the Commission.

The Board having considered the recommendations of the Manual and Practical Instruction Commission, came to the conclusion that a radical change in the curriculum, in the methods of payment of the teachers, in the methods of inspection of schools, and in the methods of official administration in the

Central Department were absolutely essential, and submitted to your Excellency a memorandum on these various matters, with certain recommendations, which, having been approved by the Irish Government and the Treasury, were carried into effect. The curriculum was entirely altered, the Results Programme was abolished, and a revised Programme, in which provision was made for the various subjects recommended by the Manual and Practical Instruction Commission, was substituted therefor. The system of payments by results was also abolished, and the various payments formerly made to the teachers were consolidated, and a new scale of salaries was prepared, which received the sanction of your Excellency and the Treasury. Modifications in the organization and remuneration of our Inspection Staff and in our system of inspection of schools were also sanctioned, and have since been effected by us, and these changes, together with the reforms which have been approved in connexion with the internal administration of our Central Establishment in Marlborough-street, will, we trust, lead to great educational advancement and mark the commencement of a new era in the history of National Education.

School-houses and Teachers' Residences.

1. On the 31st December, 1900, there were 9,152 Schools, on our Roll, of which 8,684 were in operation *

2. Of the total number on our Roll, 3,990 were Vested Schools, ^{Vested} the remainder were Non-Vested. ^{Schools.}

The Vested Schools were classified as follows:—

(a) Vested in Trustees, - - -	2,917
(b) Vested in the Commissioners, - - -	1,073
	—
Total, - - -	3,990

Our grant towards the erection of Vested School-houses, whether Vested in Trustees or Vested in the Commissioners, is two-thirds of the estimated cost.

3. The Non-Vested Schools include school-houses erected ^{Non-Vested} from funds locally provided, or, in a few instances, from loans ^{Schools.} available under the Act of 1884, 47 & 48 Vic., cap. 22, and schools formerly vested, the leases of which have expired.

* For Schools Inspective see paragraph 8, page 12.

Number of
Grants to
new
schools.

4. The number of applications for aid to new Schools considered in the fifteen months to 31st December, 1900, was 132. In 121 cases we gave the required assistance, either as grants for building new premises, or as grants of salary and books. The remaining 11 applications were rejected.

Amount of
Building
Grants.

The erection and improvement of Vested School premises is carried out under the direction of the Board of Public Works. On the first of April, 1900, the amount for which that Board was liable in respect to grants already made by us and notified to them was, £62,242 6s. 5d. In addition to this sum, we had made grants amounting to £15,221 8s. 9d., which had not been ready for notification to the Board of Works. The total liabilities, therefore, on that date amounted to £77,463 15s. 2d.

As in the previous financial year, we received in 1900-1901 a greater number of applications for such grants than the Parliamentary Vote would warrant us in sanctioning. We made, however, building and improvement grants in 57 cases.

The following Statement shows the condition of the grants and liabilities on 1st April, 1901:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Unexpended Grants on 1st April, 1900,	77,463	15	2			
Grants to build and improve School-houses, made in 1900-1901,	11,090	4	10			
				88,553	0	0
Deduct—						
(a) Grants cancelled, not having been utilized,	2,297	13	3			
(b) Deductions owing to omitted or defective works,	192	0	0			
(c) Instalments paid by Board of Works on account during year ended 31st March, 1901,	28,554	0	0			
				41,043	13	3
Total liabilities on 1st April, 1901,	—			47,549	6	2

The grants made by us during the year ended 31st March, 1901, were apportioned as follows:—

Erection of New Vested School-houses.			Enlargement of Existing Vested School-houses.			Other Improvements to existing Vested School-houses.		TOTAL.
No. of School-houses.	No. of Pupils for which the New School- houses will afford Accom- modation.	Amount of Grant.	No. of School-houses	No. of Pupils for which Additional Accommodation will be provided.	Amount of Grant.	No. of School-houses	Amount of Grant.	
		£ s. d.			£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
10	3,015	8,413 0 9	6	225	880 13 4	32	1,805 10 9	11,090 4 10

5. We also approved of applications to the Board of Works for loans, to the amount of £400, for building, enlarging or otherwise improving existing Non-Vested school-houses. Loans for improvement of schools.

We approved of loans in 42 cases to provide Teachers' Residences, and in 5 cases to improve existing Residences. Loans for Residences.
The total amount of the loans approved was £10,183 3s.

Since the year 1875, when the Residences Act came into force, 1,399 applications for loans, and 74 applications for grants, have been approved by us. In a large per-centage of cases, however, the Teachers are as yet unprovided with suitable residences.

The number of free residences available for Teachers, as returned by the Managers, is 1,253. Their estimated annual value is £7,520 9s. 6d. Free Residences.

6. The Vested school-houses, especially those Vested in the Board, and kept in repair at the public expense, are generally satisfactory as regards adequacy of accommodation, suitability of sites, sanitary arrangements and general fitting up for school purposes. Condition of premises.

The Non-Vested school-houses are, in numerous cases, well adapted to their purpose, and are suitably situated, but many of them are still of an unsatisfactory character.

According to the Returns furnished by the School Managers, the amount subscribed from *local sources* towards the erection of new buildings, additions to school premises, &c., was £31,805 10s. 1d.; and similarly for repairs, improvements of houses and furniture, and other local expenditure, the amount was £39,567 10s. 2d. Total, £71,373 0s. 3d. Local aid towards building and repairing school-houses.

During 1900, three applications were received for power to acquire sites for school-houses under the Act of 1892. Trustees were authorised to take the necessary proceedings in the matter in one case, and the other cases were not proceeded with by applicants. There were also four applications in the period referred to for power to acquire sites for Teachers' residences. Trustees were authorised to proceed in two of these cases. In another case it was found that a site could be acquired by agreement, and in the remaining case the applicant did not proceed. Compulsory acquisition of sites.

Since the Act came into operation, Trustees have been authorised in 32 cases to acquire sites compulsorily. In one case authorisation was refused, as a suitable site could be acquired by agreement, though not the site desired by the applicant.

Day Schools in Operation : Attendance.

Schools in
Operation.

7. On the 31st of December, 1900, we had 8,684 schools in operation. Since the date of our last Report, 161 schools were brought into operation—viz., 116 Vested in the Commissioners or in Trustees, and 45 Non-Vested; while 147 schools were placed on the Suspended List, or removed from the Roll of National Schools. This gives a net increase of 14 schools in operation for the year ended 31st December, 1900.

Space
accommoda-
tion
provided.

The accommodation afforded in the schools was sufficient for 887,478 pupils, allowing eight square feet for each pupil.

Inoperative
schools.

8. Of the 468 schools on our Roll, but not in operation on the 31st December, 1900, 253 were not completely built, 195 were on the "Suspended List," chiefly owing to failure to maintain a sufficient attendance of pupils, and 20 Model School departments were inoperative, having been amalgamated with the adjoining departments.

Free
schools.

9. From the returns we have received, it appears that 8,371 schools were free of school fees. In 310 schools "excess average fees," as authorised under the Act of 1892, were charged to pupils over three and under fifteen years of age.

Average
Number on
Rolls.

10. (a.) The total average number of pupils on the Rolls for the year was 770,622.

Average
daily
attendance
(all ages).
Proportion
of attend-
ance to
Number on
Rolls.

(b.) The average daily attendance of pupils for the year was 478,224.

(c.) The per-centage of the average daily attendance of pupils to the average number on the Rolls was 62.

Average
daily
attendance
(ages 3 to
15, and 15
and above).

11. (a.) The average number of pupils over three and under fifteen years of age, the limits of age defined in the Act of 1892, sec. 18, sub-sec. (5), in daily attendance was 465,200. The total average attendance of those who were fifteen and above was 13,024.

Attendance
for 75 days
or over.

(b.) The number of pupils over six and under fourteen years of age who made at least 75 attendances in the six months ended 30th June, 1900, was 300,116; and the corresponding number for the six months ended 31st December, 1900, was 247,254.

12. The following Table exhibits for the last thirteen years—
 (a) the number of National Schools in operation, (b) the average number of pupils on the Rolls, (c) the average daily attendance, and (d) the per-centage of the latter to the average number on the Rolls :—

Attendance
in each of
thirteen
years.

Year.	Number of Schools in operation.	Average number of pupils on Rolls.*	Average daily Attendance.*	Per-centage of Average Daily Attendance to Average Number on Rolls. (d)
	(a)	(b)	(c)	
1888	8,190	866,433	493,833	56·3
1889	8,241	839,033	507,863	60·5
1890	8,288	828,030	489,144	59·0
1891	8,346	824,818	506,836	61·4
1892	8,403	815,972	495,254	60·7
1893	8,460	832,546	527,060	63·3
1894	8,505	834,231	525,547	63·1
1895	8,567	826,046	519,315	62·9
1896	8,606	815,248	534,967	65·6
1897	8,631	816,031†	521,141†	63·9
1898	8,651	808,467‡	518,799‡	64·2
1899	8,670	796,183‡	513,282‡	64·5
1900	8,684	770,622§	475,294§	61·8

See Table A, pages 44 and 45.

13. The total number of pupils actually on the Rolls of National Schools on the 31st December, 1900, was 745,861.

Total
names on
rolls.

14. The religious denominations of these pupils were as follows :—

Religious
denomina-
tions.

559,520 or 75·0 per cent. were Roman Catholics.

88,675 or 11·9 „ of the late Established Church.

83,254 or 11·2 „ Presbyterians.

8,600 or 1·1 „ Methodists.

5,812 or 0·8 „ of other Denominations.

* The population of Ireland in 1901 was 4,496,566.

† For 1897 the number refers to the twelve months ended the last day of the month preceding the Results Examination in each School examined during the year 1897. The calendar year had been previously taken.

‡ For 1898 and 1899 the numbers refer to Results periods of the Schools examined within the twelve months to the 30th September in each year.

§ The falling off in the numbers on the Rolls and in average daily attendance we attribute in part to a decrease in the population, of which the recent Census gives sufficient evidence. No doubt other causes contributed to this result.

Schools
from which
Returns
were
received.

15. The number of the schools for which returns of statistics have been received from the Managers is 8,681. Of these 8,673 are tabulated in the following paragraphs; and 8 are omitted for reasons stated in foot-note to Table C, p. 48.

Schools
attended
by Roman
Catholics
and
Protestants.

16. The following tables show, according to provinces, the number of Roman Catholic and Protestant Pupils on Rolls of 3,088 Schools, attended by both denominations, and the percentage of each denomination:—

(a.) PUPILS in Schools under ROMAN CATHOLIC Teachers exclusively.

PROVINCES.	Number of Schools.	Number of Pupils.		Per-centage of each Denomination.	
		Roman Catholics.	Protestants.	Roman Catholics.	Protestants.
ULSTER, . . .	678	43,615	4,912	899	101
MUNSTER, . . .	540	53,557	1,831	967	33
LEINSTER, . . .	521	46,471	1,775	963	37
CONNAUGHT, . . .	396	32,070	1,506	955	44
TOTAL, . . .	2,134	176,613	10,024	945	54

(b.) PUPILS in Schools under PROTESTANT Teachers exclusively

PROVINCES.	Number of Schools.	Number of Pupils.		Per-centage of each Denomination.	
		Roman Catholics.	Protestants.	Roman Catholics.	Protestants.
ULSTER, . . .	807	5,903	57,327	94	996
MUNSTER, . . .	30	146	1,302	97	993
LEINSTER, . . .	61	417	4,149	91	909
CONNAUGHT, . . .	18	115	532	178	822
TOTAL, . . .	916	6,581	63,270	94	996

(c) PUPILS in Schools under ROMAN CATHOLIC and PROTESTANT Teachers conjointly.

Schools attended by Roman Catholics and Protestants.

PROVINCES.	Number of Schools	Number of Pupils.		Per-centage of each Denomination.	
		Roman Catholics.	Protestants.	Roman Catholics.	Protestants.
ULSTER,	19	1,033	1,303	44.3	55.7
MUNSTER,	7	607	442	53.4	46.6
LEINSTER,	12	2,203	455	83.2	16.8
CONNAUGHT,	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL,	38	3,843	2,200	63.0	37.0

SUMMARY of foregoing Tables (a), (b), (c), showing Numbers of Pupils in Schools attended by both Roman Catholics and Protestants.

Number of Schools.	Number of Pupils.			Per-centage of each Denomination.	
	Roman Catholics.	Protestants.	Total.	Roman Catholics.	Protestants.
3,666	137,037	75,554	202,591	71.2	28.8

See Table B, pages 46 and 47.

17. The following table shows, according to Provinces, the number of Roman Catholic and Protestant Pupils on the Rolls of 5,585 schools attended *solely* by one denomination, and the percentage of pupils of each denomination to the total in these schools :—

Schools attended solely by Roman Catholics, or solely by Protestants.

	Under Roman Catholic Teachers exclusively.		Under Protestant Teachers exclusively.						Total pupils R.C. and Protestant.	Per-centage to Totals.	
	Schools.	R.C. pupils.	Schools.	R.C. pupils.	Pres. pupils.	Meth. pupils.	Others.	Total Protestant pupils.		R.C. pupils.	Protestant pupils.
Ulster,	716	60,773	1,024	36,331	47,336	4,976	2,763	51,406	152,179	39.3	60.1
Munster,	1,425	127,939	111	3,733	279	360	109	4,481	132,420	96.6	3.4
Leinster,	950	97,035	247	10,311	821	414	350	11,896	108,931	89.1	10.9
Connaught,	1,043	86,706	67	2,066	276	124	23	2,494	89,200	97.2	2.8
TOTAL,	4,136	372,433	1,449	52,441	48,712	5,874	3,250	110,277	482,710	77.2	22.8

See Table C, page 48.

Per-centage
of Pupils.

18. Of the *Pupils* on the Rolls of the 8,673 schools, 262,591, or 35·2 per cent., were in schools attended by Roman Catholic and Protestant children, and 482,730, or 64·8 per cent., in schools attended *solely* by Roman Catholics or *solely* by Protestants.*

Per-centage
of Schools
attended
by Roman
Catholics
and
Protestants.

19. The per-centage of *Schools* having Roman Catholic and Protestant pupils in attendance in each year from 1891 to 1900, was as follows:—

With Pupils on Rolls making any attendance in year.						With Pupils on Rolls on 31-12-96.	With Pupils on Rolls on last day of Results year.			With Pupils on Rolls on 31-12-1900.
—	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	1900.
Ulster, .	60·4	60·5	59·9	57·9	57·4	51·2	50·4	50·1	49·2	46·4
Munster, .	32·3	33·0	33·5	32·6	33·3	29·1	29·7	29·9	28·6	27·3
Leinster, .	43·9	42·2	41·8	42·3	41·3	34·3	34·4	34·1	35·0	33·2
Connaught,	35·1	35·4	35·9	35·4	35·6	30·9	29·5	28·4	27·7	27·1
Total,	45·7	45·6	45·5	44·5	44·4	38·8	38·4	38·1	37·5	35·6

Per-centage
of schools
attended
solely by
Roman
Catholics
or *solely* by
Protestants.

20. The per-centage of *Schools* exhibiting an attendance composed either *solely* of Roman Catholic pupils or *solely* of Protestant pupils, for each year from 1891 to 1900, was as follows:—

With Pupils on Rolls making any attendance in year.						With Pupils on Rolls on 31-12-96.	With Pupils on Rolls on last day of Results year.			With Pupils on Rolls on 31-12-1900.
—	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	1900.
Ulster, .	39·6	39·5	40·1	42·1	42·6	48·6	49·6	49·9	50·8	53·6
Munster, .	67·7	67·0	66·5	67·4	66·7	70·9	70·3	70·1	71·4	72·7
Leinster, .	56·1	57·8	58·2	57·7	58·7	65·7	65·8	65·9	65·0	66·8
Connaught,	64·9	64·6	64·1	64·6	64·4	69·1	70·5	71·6	72·3	72·9
Total,	54·3	54·4	54·5	55·5	55·6	61·2	61·6	61·9	62·5	64·4

* See Tables B and C, pages 46, 47, and 48.

21. The religious denominations of the Managers of the schools, distinguishing Clerical from Lay, on 31st December, 1900, were as follows:—

Religious of
Managers
of Schools.

Religious Denominations.	Clerical.		Lay.		Total.	
	No. of Managers.	No. of Schools.	No. of Managers.	No. of Schools.	No. of Managers.	No. of Schools.
Roman Catholic, . . .	1,178	5,774	139	165	1,317	5,939
Late Established Church, .	704	1,044	268	459	972	1,503
Presbyterian, . . .	390	713	158	201	548	914
Methodist, . . .	61	85	13	16	74	101
Other Denominations, .	13	20	25	31	38	51
Total, . . .	2,346	7,636	603	872	2,949	8,508

Model and Poor Law Union School Managers, being Officials, are excluded from this table.

Compulsory Attendance Provisions of the Irish Education Act, 1892.

22. Owing to causes to which we have alluded in former Reports, especially the difficulty that was experienced in many places in raising funds to meet the expense connected with the application of the compulsory clauses of the Act of 1892, these clauses were not so generally enforced as we had anticipated; but as the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, removed the difficulties of this character, there has been a considerable increase in the number of places in which the Act is being enforced, and there has been a marked tendency to extend the compulsory clauses of the Act of 1892 to rural districts. On the 31st December last School Attendance Committees existed in 82 of the 120 towns and townships in Ireland having Commissioners, and the compulsory clauses were enforced in 74 of these places. In 31 rural districts School Attendance Committees have been appointed. The application of the compulsory clauses of the Act of 1892 has had a good effect on the school attendance in Dublin and other places where the law has been vigorously enforced.

Irish
Education
Act, 1892.

In the following table the attendance at National Schools generally and at National Schools situate in the 74 towns where

the compulsory clauses of the Act of 1892 are enforced are compared :—

—	(a) Average on Rolls.	(b) Average Daily Attendance.	(c) Per-centage of (b) to (a).
National Schools generally, .	770,622	478,224	62.0
Towns where the Irish Education Act has been in operation, .	181,405	123,570	68.1

Schools of a Special Character.

(a.) MODEL SCHOOLS.

Attendance
at Model
Schools.

23. The number of Model School Establishments in operation at the end of the year was 30, of which 4 (including the Central Model Schools) are Metropolitan, and the remaining 26 are District and Minor Model Schools. These contain in all 75 separate departments, each in operation with its own distinct staff and organization.

Evening schools for boys are recognised in connexion with the Central, the West Dublin, the Inchicore, and the Belfast Model Schools.

The total average number of pupils on the Rolls of the Model Schools, excluding the Evening Departments, for the year was 9,272.

The average daily attendance of day pupils at these Schools for the year was 6,547.

The per-centage of the average daily attendance of day pupils for the year to the average number on the Rolls was 70.6.

In the Evening Departments of the four Model Schools specified above there were 379 pupils on the Rolls on the last day of the year, with an average attendance of 179 pupils. The average on Rolls was 323.

Pupil
Teachers
and
Monitors.

Besides the regular Teaching Staffs we employ Pupil-Teachers and Monitors in the Model Schools. In some of the Model Schools male Pupil Teachers are boarded and lodged at the public expense; in others they receive an allowance for maintenance. Female Pupil Teachers are always non-resident.

There were 178 Pupil Teachers (107 Boys and 71 Girls) in the Model Schools on the 31st December, 1900.

Model. Ectomorph.

24. The following table shows (a) the Religious Denominations of the Pupils on Rolls of the several Model Schools on the 31st December, 1900; (b) the average number on Rolls; and (c) the average Daily Attendance.

(*Evening School attendances not included in this table.*)

County.	Model School.	(c) Pupils on Rolls on last day of year.						(b) Average number on Rolls.	(a) Average Daily Attendance &c.
		R.C.	R.C.	Pres.	Metb.	Others.	Total.		
Dublin.	Central.	684	224	60	19	33	1,018	1,063	776
"	West Dublin.	483	12	8	-	-	503	246	343
"	Inchicore.	895	45	-	-	1	411	217	241
"	Glacowry.	61	14	8	-	-	83	102	70
"	Adair.	-	45	91	9	-	135	77	40
Kildare.	Baileborough.	-	72	53	12	-	137	114	74
Caran.	Ballymore.	-	46	161	17	-	224	252	218
Antrim.	Belfast.	7	314	515	87	54	973	999	791
"	Clomagh.	24	45	20	6	-	70	124	52
Tipperary.	Oxerlino.	37	161	1	1	-	200	212	132
Londonderry.	Oxerlino.	100	127	9	25	42	412	419	298
Cork.	Quirk.	127	127	9	25	42	367	117	71
"	Dunmanway.	45	11	-	-	-	56	103	73
Wexford.	Emmiskilly.	56	11	-	-	-	67	73	71
Fermanagh.	Emmiskilly.	21	130	24	43	-	218	234	171
Galway.	Galway.	4	82	24	6	-	115	123	87
Kilkenny.	Kilkenny.	54	34	17	-	-	105	75	45
Limerick.	Limerick.	55	152	35	37	61	285	283	197
Londonderry.	Londonderry.	3	138	240	26	13	380	574	424
"	Sewry.	5	120	172	58	13	349	367	270
Down.	St. John's.	35	268	116	4	6	315	339	218
"	St. John's.	138	69	69	32	8	247	236	102
Monaghan.	St. John's.	11	-	-	-	-	150	164	88
Meath.	St. John's.	109	9	-	-	-	118	168	108
Wick.	St. John's.	35	264	-	-	-	303	243	168
Wickford.	St. John's.	84	163	36	36	60	341	353	219
Antrim.	St. John's.	216	73	49	4	21	362	346	245
"	St. John's.	117	166	-	-	-	287	369	241
"	St. John's.	94	70	10	40	-	174	152	132
"	St. John's.	202	802	112	6	-	316	345	245
"	St. John's.	118	15	-	-	-	143	165	100
Total.	Total.	2,145	5,027	2,570	539	200	8,571	9,572	6,547
Percentage.	Percentage.	23.8	54.1	28.4	6.1	2.6	100.0	70.6	Percentage of average attendance on average on rolls.

Religious
Denominations of
Model
School
Pupils, and
Attend-
ances.

Model
Schools
Expendi-
ture.

25. The following Table shows (a) the *Total* expenditure on the Model Schools for the Year 1900, (b) the *Net* expenditure on the Model Schools out of the National Education Vote, and (c) the total payments to the Teaching Staff from the National Education Vote and from Local Sources.

(Expenditure by Board of Works on repairs, &c., not included.)

Expenditure on Model Schools (a)											
Model Schools.	Expenditure from State Grants.				Expenditure from Local Sources.		Total Expenditure.	Supplemental Capital Grant, 1898-99.			
	General Expenditure &c. Boards, Petty Expenses, &c.	Salaries and Allowances to Teaching Staff.	Part of School Fees to Teachers.								
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
Central,	237	4	2	3,336	5	10	68	13	10		
West Dublin,	126	18	6	1,582	4	6	12	15	9		
Glusacavin,	65	12	4	342	10	7	0	7	3		
Inchicore,	38	3	4	984	2	7	12	11	9		
Athy,	63	11	5	321	2	5	0	18	1		
Ballisboro',	38	18	3	285	1	1	0	10	2		
Ballymena,	72	9	0	1,029	10	5	4	15	1		
Belfast,	533	14	7	3,758	10	3	36	4	2		
Clonmel,	116	0	3	473	0	3	1	11	3		
Coleraine,	85	0	7	942	2	4	3	3	1		
Cork,	405	1	1	1,735	8	4	12	9	2		
Dunmanway,	90	13	2	928	13	1	0	6	3		
Enniscorthy,	68	9	2	420	13	8	0	12	11		
Enniskillen,	151	4	0	815	4	9	4	16	1		
Galway,	101	5	10	393	17	8	0	19	2		
Kilkenny,	116	3	7	263	19	5	0	11	3		
Limerick,	128	10	5	926	10	6	2	12	2		
Londonderry,	220	9	7	1,974	8	11	8	17	3		
Newry,	114	10	3	1,000	12	2	9	10	3		
Newtownards,	131	3	6	1,015	4	1	3	1	5		
Sligo,	147	2	6	819	7	6	3	3	2		
Trim,	95	11	4	611	15	2	1	15	9		
Waterford,	124	0	11	434	0	1	1	11	3		
Ballymeney,	29	15	0	1,159	3	6	2	19	10		
Carriekfergus,	79	6	4	1,176	12	3	5	9	3		
Larcan,	86	14	11	1,093	14	9	2	6	8		
Monaghan,	60	1	7	1,035	0	4	2	9	0		
Newtownstewart,	31	17	11	825	10	8	0	14	0		
Omagh,	64	4	9	1,317	9	11	7	1	2		
Parsonstown,	35	14	2	435	9	11	1	11	8		
Total,	3,775	12	5	31,548	5	6	309	13	1		
(b)											
Total Expenditure on Model Schools (see Table above),								—	435,503	11	3
Deduct £2,000 School Fees appropriated in aid of Education Vote,								—			
Deduct £209 13s. 1d. School Fees paid to Teachers,								—			
Total Deductions,								—	2,209	13	1
Net Expenditure on Model Schools out of Education Vote,								—	£23,293	17	11
(c)											
Total Annual Payments to Teaching Staff—											
From Education Vote { Day Schools, £31,401 12 6 }								—	£31,518	5	6
School Fees, { Evening Schools, 116 13 0 }								—	209	13	1
Total,								—	£31,727	18	7

(b.) CONVENT AND MONASTERY SCHOOLS,

26. The numbers of these Schools, and the attendances, for the year, were as follows:—

Convent
and
Monastery
Schools.

Class of School.	Paid by Capitation.		
	No. of Schools.	Average No. of Pupils on Rolls.	Average Daily Attendance.
Convent, . .	284	22,866	61,566
Monastery, . .	3	1,299	812
Total, . .	287	24,164	62,378

Class of School.	Paid by Classification.		
	No. of Schools.	Average No. of Pupils on Rolls.	Average Daily Attendance.
Convent, . .	29	5,094	4,052
Monastery, . .	46	3,609	1,579
Total, . .	75	14,603	5,631

This table does not include the Evening Departments connected with the Convent and Monastery Schools, of which there are 3. The number on Rolls at these Departments at the end of the year was 443, the average on Rolls 431, the average attendance 255.

The teaching power in some Convent Schools is partly made up of Lay Assistants—275 in number—who, though not paid directly by us, are recognised under special conditions, and are granted valuable privileges in the matter of service, training, and promotion in class.

Lay
Assistants.

The total average number of day pupils on the Rolls of the Convent and Monastery National Schools, for the year was 108,707.

The total average daily attendance at these Schools for the year was 71,988.

The per-centage of the average daily attendance of pupils to the average number on the rolls was 66·2.

(c.) WORKHOUSE SCHOOLS.

Workhouse
Schools.

27. The number of Workhouse Schools in connexion with our Board on 31st December, 1900, was 150.

The total number of pupils on the rolls of these Workhouse Schools on the last day of the year was 4,422, the total average daily attendance of pupils for the year was 3,757, and the average daily attendance of pupils of 3 to 15 years of age was 3,747.

(d.) EVENING SCHOOLS.

Evening
Schools.

28. Evening Schools are, as a rule, held on the same premises and taught by the same teachers as the Day Schools with which they are connected. There were twenty-one in operation during the year ended 31st December, 1900.

The particulars as to the character of the attendance are as follows :—

Number on Rolls on last day of year,	1,728
Average on Rolls,	1,620
Average attendance,	864

We have had, however, under consideration the question of re-organizing the curriculum and conditions of payment to Evening Schools generally, in connexion with the recommendations of the Commission of Manual and Practical Instruction, and we have been in communication with the Irish Government and the Treasury on the subject. We expect soon to be able to make definite regulations in accordance with arrangements which have been approved by the Treasury.

Teaching Power.

Teaching
Power.

29. The number of Teachers in our service on 31st December, 1900, was as follows :—

Principals.		Assistants.		Total.	Junior Assistants.	Work-mistresses and Industrial Teachers.	Temporary Assistants.		Temporary Work-mistresses.
Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.				Males.	Females.	
4,697	3,547	1,078	2,605	11,928	13	897	14	18	5
8,244		3,683					32		
Gross Total,					12,875				

The Teachers of the 284 Convent and 3 Monastery Schools that are paid by capitation and the Teachers of Workhouse National Schools, are not included in this return.

30. The following Table shows the number of schools taught by masters or mistresses exclusively, and by Staffs consisting of both masters and mistresses; also the number of schools attended by boys only, and by girls and infants only, and the number having a mixed attendance of boys and girls:—

TEACHERS.	Schools for Boys only.	Schools for Girls (and Infants) only.	Schools for Mixed Attendance of Boys and Girls
Masters only,	1,978	—	897
Mistresses only,	—	2,214	1,666
Master and Female Assistants,	—	—	960
Master and Workmistress,	—	—	802
Total,	1,978	2,214	4,461

Mixed and
Unmixed
Schools.

31. During the year ended 31st December, 1900, there were 547 persons appointed for the first time as Principal or Assistant Teachers. Of these 305 had been trained and 242 were ^{New} Teachers untrained.

ANTECEDENTS OF NEW PRINCIPAL AND ASSISTANT TEACHERS.

	Prim.	Assist.	Total.
Trained in "Marlborough-street" Training College,	39	60	99
" " "St. Patrick's"	16	26	42
" " "Our Lady of Mercy"	22	31	53
" " "Church of Ireland"	45	5	50
" " "De la Salle"	26	27	53
Total,	147	158	305

Pupil Teachers, } In Model National Schools,	11	4	15
Paid Monitors, }	4	1	5
Total,	15	5	20

Paid Monitors, } In Ordinary National Schools,	89	151	240
Pupils only, }	3	—	3
Total,	92	151	243

Paid Monitors, } In Convent and Monastery Na-	4	10	14
Lay Assistants, }	—	12	12
Pupils only, }	—	—	—
Total,	4	22	26

From other Schools and Institutions,	3	8	11
Total New Teachers,	202	344	547

The
Teaching
Body.

The candidates for the position of teacher are in general well prepared; and selections are, as a rule, made by Managers with care and judgment. The recently appointed untrained teachers had received, with very few exceptions, a preliminary training as monitors or pupil teachers.

Special facilities are now afforded to University graduates to enter our service as teachers.

32. NUMBER of TEACHERS who left the Service during the Year ended 31st December, 1900, or who were unemployed on that date.

N.B.—The term "Teachers" includes Principals and Assistants; it excludes Workmistresses and Temporary Teachers.

	Masters.	Mistresses.	Total.
(1) Retired on pension or gratuity,	86	32	118
(2) Died,	53	41	94
(3) Married (Females) and not likely to resume teaching,	—	65	65
(4) Emigrated,	16	11	27
(5) Resigned for other pursuits,	51	25	76
(6) Not serving in National Schools on 31st December, 1900, owing to causes not specified above, awaiting fresh appointments, &c.,	80	63	143
Total,	292	206	498

33. The number of paid Monitors on the 31st December, 1900, was 1,130 Boys and 3,010 Girls. Total, 4,140.

The following table gives the number of Monitors classified according to their year of service:—

YEAR OF SERVICE.	Male Monitors.	Female Monitors.	Total.
1st year,	200	536	736
2nd "	231	556	817
3rd "	153	441	594
4th "	272	707	979
5th "	274	740	1,014
Total,	1,130	3,010	4,140

34. The Annual General Examinations of 1900 were held partly in April (Easter) and partly in July. Annual Examinations.

The Pupil Teachers in their first year of service, Monitors of third year, Monitors of fifth year, candidates for admission to the Training Colleges, candidates for appointment as Pupil Teachers in the Model Schools, and some few provisionally classed Teachers seeking Third Class certificates, were examined at Easter.

Certificated Teachers who were candidates for promotion, persons seeking Teaching Certificates for Extra Branches, and King's Scholars in training, were examined, as heretofore, in the month of July.

The Examinations at Easter were held under the provisions of the Revised Programme exclusively, while, at the July Examinations, candidates were examined under the Revised Programme, and also in certain cases under the Programme hitherto in force.

There were in all 5,119 persons examined in the various courses, viz.:—3,893 at Easter, and 1,226 in July (139 being under the Old Programme (for First Division of First Class), and 1,087 under the Revised Programme).

In addition to these there were 901 candidates for certificates of competency in one or more Extra Branches at the July Examinations.

The following is a summary of the persons examined under the two Programmes:—

	Old Programme.	New Programme.	Total.
Third-year Monitors,	—	1,116	1,116
Candidate Pupil Teachers,	—	452	452
Fifth-year Monitors, first-year Pupil Teachers, Provisionally Classed Teachers, and Candidates for Training,	—	2,325	2,325
Two-year King's Scholars at the end of their first year of Training, and second-year Pupil Teachers,	—	423	423
One-year and two-year King's Scholars at the end of their course of Training,	—	489	489
Classed Teachers who were Candidates for promotion,	139	176	315
Total,	139	4,980	5,119

The Questions set at the 1900 Examinations, and an analysis of the answering, will be found in the Appendix to this Report, Section III.

Teachers' Pensions and Gratuities.

Pensions,
&c., to
Teachers.

35. The following Table shows the Number of National Teachers who in each year since the commencement of the Pensions Act (1st January, 1880) were in receipt of Pensions from the Fund; also the number of those to whom, on Retirement, Gratuities under the Act were awarded, with the Total Amounts each year. The figures set forth in the Table have been furnished by the Teachers' Pension Office.

	NUMBER OF TEACHERS.				Total Amounts of Pensions and Gratuities paid (under the Act) to retired Teachers.
	On Pension on 31st December of each Year.		Received Gratuities during Year.		
	Number.	Amount paid.	Number.	Amount paid.	
		£		£	£
1880,	147	2,516	31	3,380	5,896
1881,	224	6,800	57	5,510	12,310
1882,	296	9,568	75	8,139	17,707
1883,	371	12,213	71	7,154	19,367
1884,	439	14,925	81	8,044	22,969
1885,	489	16,004	68	6,801	22,805
1886,	574	18,552	51	4,873	23,425
1887,	653	21,632	67	6,509	28,141
1888,	739	24,019	56	5,431	29,450
1889,	815	26,892	52	5,504	32,396
1890,	876	29,327	73	7,358	36,685
1891,	949	31,426	75	7,495	38,921
1892,	987	33,028	41	3,980	37,008
1893,	1,019	34,181	42	4,230	38,411
1894,	1,069	35,968	45	4,007	40,975
1895,	1,119	37,226	51	5,180	42,406
1896,	1,195	39,720	47	4,576	44,296
1897,	1,205	42,120	49	5,102	47,222
1898,	1,346	44,053	16	1,680	45,733
1899,	1,453	47,423	4	365	47,788
1900,	1,529	50,501	—	—	50,501
Total,	—	—	—	—	685,973

36. The number of Teachers paying premiums in the various classes on 31st December, 1900, was :—

Males,	Class.	1 st	150	Females,	Class.	1 st	150	Balance Sheet of Teachers' Pension Fund.
	1 st				1 st			
"	2	1,273		"	1	378		
"	3	2,259		"	2	1,368		
"	4	2,632		"	3	3,246		
Total,		6,719		Total,		6,119		

37. The following statement relative to the Pension Fund* has been furnished to us by the Teachers' Pension Office :—

The Income and Expenditure of the Pension Fund during the year 1900 were as follows :—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
INCOME :—						
Two half-years' Interest on £1,300,000,	39,000	0	0			
Interest on Stock,	19,572	11	7			
Premiums paid by Teachers,	23,413	16	1			
Amount voted in aid,*	18,000	0	0			
				90,986	7	8
EXPENDITURE :—						
Pensions paid to Teachers,	50,800	16	8			
Gratuities,	—					
Premiums refunded,	4,360	7	3			
				55,161	3	11
Surplus of Income over Expenditure,				44,825	3	9
Amount realised by sale of £18,508 7s. 4d. Stock,				13,454	17	1
Cash Balance on 1st January, 1900, overdrawn,				134	16	5
				58,145	4	5
Sum invested in purchase of £57,179 14s. 4d. Stock,				56,527	8	8
Balance on 31st December, 1900,				1,617	15	9

The invested Capital of the Fund stood thus :—

	£	s.	d.
On 1st January, 1900, debt of the Irish Land Commission,	1,300,000	0	0
Stock in hand,	£695,284	0	4
Stock bought in 1900,	57,179	14	4
	752,463	14	8
Stock sold in 1900,	13,508	7	4
In hand 31st December, 1900,	£738,955	7	4
	£1,300,000	0	0

* *NOTE.*—The sum of £18,000 (Annual Parliamentary Grant) in aid of the Teachers Pension Fund was paid over by us within the year to the Fund.

Expenditure on Schools.*

Expendi-
ture on
Schools.

38. As far as we have been able to ascertain, the aggregate annual Expenditure on the *Schools* from all sources, including Parliamentary Grant, Rates, School fees, and local subscriptions, amounted to £1,223,714 14s. 11d., as shown in the following table. This would give an average of £2 11s. 9d. for each child in average daily attendance during the year:—

(a) From State Grants:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Vote for Primary Education						
(Ordinary),	993,308	3	0			
Parliamentary:—School Grant,	146,747	18	6			
Customs and Excise Grant, . .	5,665	6	6			
	<hr/>			1,145,721	8	0

(b) From Local sources:—

Subscriptions and Endowments, &c. (towards Incomes of Teachers),	31,538	10	6			
Subscriptions (towards Repairs, &c.),	39,567	10	2			
Rates from Contributory Unions (net)	1,399	6	0			
School Pence paid by Pupils,† . .	5,488	0	3			
	<hr/>			77,993	6	11
Total annual Income of Schools from all sources,	<hr/>			£1,223,714	14	11

Rate per Pupil from (a) State Grants,	2	8	5½
Rate per Pupil from (b) Local sources,	0	3	3½
	<hr/>		
Rate per Pupil from all sources,	2	11	9

* NOTE.—The amount paid out of Vote for Board of Public Works for Buildings, Repairs, &c., of Vested Schools, is not included in this Section, neither is the amount, £31,305 10s. 1d., contributed from local sources towards the erection of New Buildings, &c., included (see page 11, Sec. 6), nor the Supplemental Capitation Grant in respect to the years 1898–6.

† See Table D, page 49.

39. The Amounts paid by the State in the Financial Year 1900-1901 to the Teaching Staffs of the *principal classes* of Day National Schools were as follows:—

(This does not include Rates, School Pence, and other Local Contributions.)

Payments to Teaching Staffs of Principal Classes of Schools.

Class of Schools (Excluding Evening, Poor Law Union, &c., Schools).	No. of Schools.	Average daily attendance.	Total State Aid to Teaching Staff.	Average payment per pupil in average daily attendance.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1. Ordinary Schools. . . .	8,096	394,201	944,719 18 2	2 7 11
2. Model Schools,	75	6,547	51,401 12 6	4 15 11
3. Convent and Monastery Schools (Classification).	75	9,629	22,941 14 11	2 7 8
4. Convent and Monastery Schools (Capitation).	247	62,359	136,889 12 5	2 3 11
Total of all Schools, . . .	8,533	472,736	1,135,962 18 0†	2 8 1

40. The payments to the teaching staff out of the Funds placed at our disposal by Parliament were made under the following general heads:—(a) Salaries; (b) Results Fees, or Equivalent Grant in lieu thereof; (c) Capitation Grant.

Various kinds of Payments.

(a). The amount paid in 1900-1901 in Salaries, Fees, and Capitation Grants, to principal and assistant teachers, workmistresses, pupil teachers, and monitors was £1,130,408 3s. 1d.*

(a.) Salaries and Gratuities.

41. The *total income* of the *Teaching Staff* (Day and Evening National Schools) from the State and from local sources, for the year was as follows:—

Total Income of Teaching Staff.

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
(a.) From Vote for Primary Education (ordinary):			
Salaries and Gratuities,	714,101 2 4†		
Results Fees, and the Equivalent			
Grant in lieu of Results, &c., . . .	330,745 15 3	or 90·7 per cent.	£ s. d.
Parliamentary School Grant, . . .	164,747 18 6		1,136,364 2 7
Customs and Excise Grant,	5,665 6 6		
Subscriptions, &c., (exclusive of			
Free Residences),	31,438 10 6	or 3·3 per cent.	58,425 16 9
(b.) Rates of Contributory Unions (net),	1,300 6 0		
School Pence paid by pupils,	5,188 0 3		
Gross Total,			1,174,689 19 4

These totals differ from those given in paragraph 38. The difference is accounted for as follows:—

	£ s. d.
38. State Grants to Schools,	1,145,721 8 0
41. Income of Teaching Staff from State Grants,	1,136,364 2 7
Difference,	9,357 5 3

This difference consists of the following payments:—

Central Model Schools—Free Stock, Charring and Petty Expenses,	£ s. d.
Other Model Schools—Free Stock, Rents and Petty Expenses,	247 4 2
Incidental Expenses of Schools (Rents, &c.),	3,430 5 11
Free Stocks to National Schools,	46 0 8
Payments to Pupils of Agricultural Classes,	643 12 4
Mortgages of Rent Charge on Teachers' Residences,	86 6 4
	4,928 16 9
	5,927 5 5

38. Expenditure on Schools from Local Sources,	£ s. d.
41. Income of Teaching Staff from Local Sources,	17,908 6 11
	58,425 16 9
Difference,	39,567 10 2

This difference is the local expenditure on repairing the schoolhouses, &c.

* Exclusive of Supplemental Capitation Grant in respect of years 1899-0 and balance of Customs and Excise Grant.

† The payments to Evening Schools excluded from this Table amounted to £201 4s. 7d. Total, £1,136,364 2s. 7d.

1 See Table D, page 43.

42. The following are the rates of Grade Salary and scales of Continued Good Service Salary for teachers in Schools having an average attendance of twenty pupils or upwards. The grant of Continued Good Service Salary is made triennially. The date from which any award of Continued Good Service Salary may be made is determined by the Commissioners. The Commissioners reserve to themselves the right to alter the rates of Grade Salaries and the Scales of Continued Good Service Salaries from time to time with the approval of the Treasury.

PRINCIPALS.

Grade.	Grade Salary.	Continued Good Service Salary —Triennial Increment.		Maximum Income exclu- sive of Residual Capitation Grant.
		Increment.	Number of Increments	
III.	£ 66	7	3	77
II.	87	10	2	107
I.	117	10	1	127
I _a	139	12	3	173
III.	44	7	3	65
II.	73	5	2	89
I.	97	8	1	105
I _a	114	9	3	141

ASSISTANTS.

- (a.) Assistants generally, . { Males, from £56 to £77.
Females, from £44 to £65.
- (b.) Assistants entitled to
Bonuses under Irish
Education Act, 1892. { Males, from £56 to £86.
Females, from £44 to £72 10s.

The increments of Continued Good Service Salary are at same rate as for III. Grade Principals. The Bonus is awarded when it becomes due in addition to the increments of Continued Good Service Salary.

A portion of the total State Grants available for the payment of Teachers' incomes is allocated as an Annual Capitation Grant.

This portion of the teachers' incomes is liable to fluctuation in accordance with the average attendance at the schools and with other conditions. The distribution of the Capitation Grant as between Principals and Assistants is made in accordance with the following scale :—

Average Attendance at School.	Number of Assistants.	SHARE OF RESIDUAL CAPITATION GRANT.				
		Principal.	Assistants.			
		—	1st.	2nd.	3rd.	4th.
80	1	60	20	—	—	—
95	1	60	25	—	—	—
100	2	60	35	5	—	—
120	2	60	35	25	—	—
140	2	70	35	35	—	—
185	3	80	35	35	25	—
220	4 &c.	90 &c.	35	35	35	35

Teachers of small schools, situated on the mainland, with an average attendance under 10, are paid a Capitation Grant of £1 15s. and Residual Capitation Grant, for each pupil in average attendance. If such schools are on islands remote from the mainland, the teachers may receive a Capitation Grant of £3 10s. and Residual Capitation Grant, for each pupil in attendance.

Teachers of small schools, with an average attendance of 10 but under 20 pupils, are paid uniformly, in lieu of all emoluments from the State, at the salary fixed for Female Teachers of the Third Grade, with Residual Capitation Grant, but are not entitled to Continued Good Service Salary. It is desirable that Teachers of schools with averages from 10 to 19 pupils should be women.

Training Colleges.

Training
Colleges.

43. There are six Training Colleges in operation and receiving Grants, viz. :—

(1.) "Marlborough-street" (Dublin), for men and women, under our own Management;

(2.) "St. Patrick's" (Drumcondra, Dublin), for men, and

(3.) "Our Lady of Mercy" (Baggot-street, Dublin), for women, both under the management of His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin;

(4.) "Church of Ireland" (Kildare-place, Dublin), for men and women, under the management of His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. Peacocke, Archbishop of Dublin;

(5.) "De la Salle" (Waterford), for men, under the management of the Most Rev. Dr. Sheehan, Bishop of Waterford and Lismore.

(6.) "St. Mary's," Belfast, for women, under the management of the Most Rev. Dr. Henry, Bishop of Down and Connor.

There is also one other College which has been sanctioned by the Government, on our recommendation, for the reception of King's Scholars. It is situated at Limerick, is intended for women, and is under the management of the Most Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer, Bishop of Limerick; but it has not yet come into operation.

44. The following Table shows the number of Candidates for Admission to Training (One and Two Years' Courses) in 1900 in each of the Training Colleges, and the antecedents of those admitted to the Two Years' Course :—

	One-Year Course.		Two-Year Course.					
	Numbers of Candidates.	Numbers admitted to Training.	Numbers of Candidates.	Numbers admitted to Training.	Antecedents.			
					Monitors.	Pupil Teachers.	Ex-Pupils.	Teachers.
(FOR MEN.)								
Marlborough-street.	44	22	126	56*	16	29	10	1
St. Patrick's. . .	54	43	154	63	44	-	18	1
Church of Ireland. .	6	4	42	24	6	6	13	-
De La Salle. . . .	31	22	270	51	28	11	22	-
Total.	135	91	592	294	94	46	63	2
(FOR WOMEN.)								
Marlborough-street.	41	20*	331	72†	44	18	9	1
Our Lady of Mercy.	98	11	608	80	43	1	35	1
Church of Ireland. .	4	1	138	38	14	1	23	-
St. Mary's.	26	18	179	82	52	-	26	4
Total.	169	50	1,256	272	153	20	73	6

* Includes one extern.

† Includes eight externs.

45. KING'S SCHOLARS in Training—Session 1899-1900.

Name of College.	No. of King's Scholars at commencement of Session 1899-1900.	No. who remained until Close of Session.	First Year's Examination of Two-Year Students.		Result of Final Examination.			
					One-Year Students.		Two-Year Students.	
			No. Examined.	No. Passed.	No. Examined.	No. Passed.	No. Examined.	No. Passed.
MEN.								
Marlborough-street,	131*	122*	53	52	20	20	45	44
St. Patrick's, . . .	103	102	53	37	46	45	58	58
Church of Ireland, .	47	48	19	19	4	4	20	20
De La Salle, . . .	159	147	72	71	6	5	68	67
Total (Men), .	493	474	200	199	76	74	191	189
WOMEN.								
Marlborough-street.	173†	172†	73	78	15	14	73	78
Our Lady of Mercy,	160‡	158‡	66	66	31	31	61	61
Church of Ireland, .	71	69	32	32	4	4	33	32
Total (Women),	406	399	171	176	50	49	172	171
Total (Men & Women)	899	873	371	375	126	123	363	360

* Includes one extern.

† Includes ten externs.

‡ Includes four externs.

Total
Trained
Teachers,
1900.

46. THE TOTAL NUMBER of TRAINED TEACHERS in the SERVICE on 31st December, 1900, was 6,026 or 50·5 per cent. of the total number of Principal and Assistant Teachers in the service, made up as follows :—

College in which Trained.	Masters.	Misses.	Total.
Marlborough-street,	1,673	1,124	2,697
St. Patrick's,	1,319	—	1,319
Our Lady of Mercy,	—	1,156	1,156
Church of Ireland,	231	342	573
De La Salle,	335	—	335
Total,	3,404	2,622	6,026
Percentage of Trained Teachers to total of Principals and Assistants,	58·9	42·6	50·5

Religious
Denomina-
tions of
King's
Scholars,
Marl-
borough
street.

47. RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS of the KING'S SCHOLARS admitted to MARLBOROUGH-STREET TRAINING COLLEGE for the Session, 1899-1900.

—	R.C.	R.C.	Pres.	Meth.	Others.	Total.
King's Scholars in Residence, .	43	63	159	29	1	295
Extern,	6	4	1	—	—	11

See Table E, page 50.

48. TABLE showing for a series of years the demand for New Teachers and the supply of Trained Teachers; and the means of supplying the deficiency.

Year.	Demand.				Supply.				DEFICIENCY OF SUPPLY FROM TRAINING COLLEGES.				SOURCES FROM WHICH THE DEFICIENCY IS MET.				
	Principalships.		Assistantships.		Total Number of Vacancies.		Number of Two Years' King's Scholars Trained.		DEFICIENCY OF SUPPLY FROM TRAINING COLLEGES.		Number of Fifth Year Monitors (eleased) who did not enter a Training College.	Number of Pupil Teachers (eleased) who did not enter a Training College.	Number of provisionally classed Teachers.	Total untrained Candidates for Teachers' shops.			
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.					Females.	Total.	
1888	126	156	282	123	158	281	242	264	513	84	99	183	165	575	70	289	931
1889	104	118	224	101	146	247	297	261	471	76	117	193	131	676	85	131	926
1890	109	122	231	98	123	221	297	245	452	89	102	191	118	620	74	117	811
1891	120	135	255	106	151	256	295	279	505	92	110	202	134	572	109	69	750
1892	132	111	213	112	147	259	214	238	472	107	115	223	107	417	155	61	613
1893	69	93	167	117	177	294	186	275	461	125	123	248	61	337	166	40	482
1894	63	104	167	129	235	367	222	342	594	109	120	229	113	555	166	53	715
1895	83	111	194	123	173	296	296	281	490	129	112	241	77	565	37	15	617
1896	95	166	263	145	200	345	243	263	551	171	151	302	72	433	40	17	560
1897	78	116	194	125	173	303	213	269	502	124	123	247	59	512	17	23	552
1898	91	103	194	120	185	305	211	292	499	177	146	323	21	570	22	14	606
1899	92	106	196	160	220	380	252	326	578	159	169	318	98	782	24	3	819
1900	109	94	203	135	209	344	211	291	547	169	171	360	56	775	43	3	848

Demand for New Teachers and sources of Supply.

Trained and
Untrained
Teachers.

49. Numbers of Trained and Untrained Teachers, and percentage of the number trained to the total number, for each of the last ten years:—

Year.	Trained.	Untrained.	Total.	Per-centage of Trained Teachers.
1891	4,471	6,899	11,374	39.5
1892	4,559	6,816	11,375	40.0
1893	4,814	6,772	11,586	41.5
1894	4,906	6,798	11,704	42.3
1895	5,190	6,660	11,850	43.3
1896	5,381	6,619	12,000	44.8
1897	5,546	6,450	11,996	46.2
1898	5,586	6,389	11,975	46.6
1899	5,790	6,318	12,108	47.8
1900	6,006	5,962	11,968	50.2

50. The following Table shows the number of One-year and Two-year Students in Training each year for the last ten years in the several Training Colleges, Males and Females being given separately:—

Year.	MEN.			WOMEN.		
	One-Year.	Two-Year.		One-Year.	Two-Year.	
		In Second Year.	In First Year.		Second Year.	First Year.
1890-91.	72	94	117	85	113	124
1891-2.	101	111	137	76	118	131
1892-3.	103	126	116	84	127	123
1893-4.	103	113	141	70	131	125
1894-5.	109	126	179	72	124	141
1895-6.	105	175	142	66	141	137
1896-7.	109	138	195	93	132	149
1897-8.	105	180	191	59	146	170
1898-9.	87	182	220	61	165	177
1899-1900.	79	205	209	51	175	180

51. The General Reports on the Colleges for the session 1899-1900 will be found in the Appendix, Section I. They are favourable and afford evidence of considerable progress.

Revised Programme.

52. We publish in this Report no statistics concerning Results Examinations, as these Examinations were abolished from the 1st April, 1900, and although a considerable number of the teachers continued to give instruction in the old programme during the past financial year we made no specific assessment of the value of the answering of the pupils in the various subjects. Nor are we in a position to give precise information regarding the introduction of the Revised Programme into our schools.

Abolition
of Results
Programme

Revised
Programme

In future years we shall be able to give ample information on the subject, as we have devised special forms of reports for our Inspectors, which will give us full details as to the various subjects taught, the number of children under instruction, the proficiency of the various standards or classes, the efficiency of the Teaching Staffs, and, generally, a clear idea as to the operation of our Schools, and our revised methods of instruction as educational factors.

We have also prepared a form of report which we invite School Managers to use. We expect that, if the Managers co-operate with us by furnishing the information asked for in the new form of report, the efficiency of the schools will be materially benefited thereby.

The Revised Programme is in many respects radically different from the Results Programme, and in connection with its introduction we have allowed Managers and teachers a freedom of organization which was not possible under the old Results Programme. In this Programme we have given special prominence to the essentials of education required in the case of children attending Primary Schools. A knowledge of Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic on rational principles is the foundation of the Programme, while Manual Instruction, Drawing, School Discipline and Physical Drill, and Vocal Music come next in importance. The following table, compiled from Returns obtained from Managers, shows the extent to which the Revised Programme had been adopted in our schools on the 31st December last.

[TABLE

TABLE showing by Provinces and Counties the extent of the progress
Schools in Ireland on

PROVINCES AND COUNTIES	Total Number of Schools in County on 31-12-1900	Total Number of Schools which had either wholly or in part adopted the Revised Programme on 31-12-1900	Percentage of Schools which had adopted the Revised Programme either wholly or in part to total Number of Schools in County	Number of Schools which had				
				I. English	II. Arith- metic.	III. Kinder- garten and Manual Instruc- tion.	IV. Drawing	V. Copy- Letters and Elemen- tary Science.
ULSTER.								
Antrim,	701	606	86.3	413	314	130	428	252
Armagh,	279	251	90.0	172	123	28	202	147
Cavan,	289	253	87.5	171	125	21	180	78
Donegal,	434	358	82.5	217	160	25	270	104
Down,	499	424	85.0	232	223	60	236	180
Fermanagh,	184	165	89.7	115	81	23	136	62
Londonderry,	304	261	85.8	172	122	43	221	79
Monaghan,	139	155	82.0	106	100	19	109	46
Tyrone,	370	340	91.9	202	172	20	278	108
Total,	3,249	2,812	86.5	1,850	1,420	369	2,110	1,037
MUNSTER.								
Clare,	264	238	90.1	172	125	43	193	133
Cork,	750	688	91.7	491	359	174	533	299
Kerry,	364	293	80.5	192	143	46	228	117
Limerick,	266	258	97.0	132	128	45	222	115
Tipperary,	326	309	94.8	231	188	108	243	162
Waterford,	145	130	89.6	88	76	39	106	53
Total,	2,115	1,916	90.6	1,356	1,019	455	1,524	899
LEINSTER.								
Carlow,	83	80	96.4	57	45	7	66	41
Dublin,	327	315	96.3	216	176	99	231	97
Kildare,	104	97	93.2	59	45	15	69	29
Kilkenny,	185	178	96.2	103	93	61	157	104
King's,	122	110	90.2	78	65	17	81	49
Longford,	114	94	82.5	72	51	15	73	28
Louth,	107	100	93.5	58	35	10	40	37
Meath,	178	163	91.6	109	91	35	132	68
Queen's,	121	115	95.0	81	63	15	80	38
Westmeath,	140	118	84.3	84	63	9	93	30
Wexford,	177	168	94.9	111	85	20	133	79
Wicklow,	137	132	96.4	86	78	34	99	44
Total,	1,795	1,670	93.0	1,114	890	337	1,294	644
CONNAUGHT.								
Galway,	428	375	87.6	238	186	46	297	171
Leitrim,	207	180	87.0	118	83	9	121	40
Mayo,	423	337	79.7	235	181	25	276	157
Roscommon,	256	238	93.0	167	136	19	185	114
Sligo,	211	176	83.4	115	96	33	135	64
Total,	1,525	1,306	85.6	873	682	132	1,014	546
ULSTER,	3,249	2,812	86.5	1,850	1,420	369	2,110	1,037
MUNSTER,	2,115	1,916	90.6	1,356	1,019	455	1,524	899
LEINSTER,	1,795	1,670	93.0	1,114	890	337	1,294	644
CONNAUGHT,	1,525	1,306	85.6	873	682	132	1,014	546
ALL IRELAND,	8,684	7,704	88.7	5,193	4,011	1,293	5,942	3,096
Percentage to total Number of Schools on 31-12-1900,	-	-	-	59.8	46.2	14.9	68.4	35.6

towards the adoption of the Revised Programme of Instruction in National
31st December, 1900.

either wholly or in part adopted the Revised Programme is.										PROVINCES AND COUNTIES.
Singing.	VI. School Discipline and Physical Drill.	VII. Cookery and Laundry Work.	IX. Needle- work.	X. Optional or Extra Branches.						
				Irish.	French.	Latin.	Mathe- matics.	Instro- mental Music.		
										ULSTER.
339	501	29	210	-	2	1	4	1	Antrim.	
149	228	13	50	3	-	-	2	1	Armagh.	
118	228	4	51	2	2	1	6	1	Cavan.	
132	289	3	47	3	-	-	5	1	Donegal.	
227	371	16	116	-	1	-	3	-	Down.	
65	135	8	27	-	-	-	2	-	Fermanagh.	
154	223	6	57	-	-	-	4	-	Londonderry.	
86	138	2	34	2	4	1	3	2	Monaghan.	
165	298	4	53	-	3	-	3	1	Tyrone.	
1,435	2,411	85	645	10	12	3	32	7	Total.	
										MUNSTER.
95	201	5	43	2	-	-	5	1	Clare.	
340	598	42	126	11	-	-	6	5	Cork.	
134	240	5	51	10	-	-	4	1	Kerry.	
143	239	22	51	2	-	-	4	1	Limerick.	
205	228	16	83	3	2	-	2	3	Tipperary.	
87	101	9	30	3	-	-	-	1	Waterford.	
1,004	1,607	99	384	31	2	-	21	12	Total.	
										LEINSTER.
53	70	3	17	-	-	-	-	-	Carlow.	
209	257	24	104	3	1	-	3	2	Dublin.	
55	78	2	23	-	1	-	2	-	Kildare.	
125	164	3	44	-	-	-	-	-	Kilkenny.	
53	88	4	22	-	1	1	1	-	King's.	
47	78	2	17	-	-	-	3	1	Longford.	
60	96	2	12	-	1	1	1	-	Louth.	
91	147	8	46	1	1	-	1	2	Meath.	
46	95	-	23	-	-	-	1	-	Queen's.	
59	98	1	31	-	-	-	1	-	Westmeath.	
94	134	5	32	1	-	-	2	1	Wexford.	
80	114	4	42	-	-	-	2	-	Wicklow.	
972	1,419	58	413	5	5	2	17	6	Total.	
										CONNAUGHT.
184	293	7	70	20	-	-	4	2	Galway.	
74	138	1	32	-	1	1	3	-	Leitrim.	
134	270	7	79	21	1	-	1	-	Mayo.	
96	299	5	46	-	2	-	2	3	Roscommon.	
64	147	1	31	1	1	-	1	1	Sligo.	
552	1,057	21	258	42	5	1	11	6	Total.	
1,435	2,411	85	645	10	12	3	32	7	ULSTER.	
1,004	1,607	99	384	31	2	-	21	12	MUNSTER.	
972	1,419	58	413	5	5	2	17	6	LEINSTER.	
552	1,057	21	258	42	5	1	11	6	CONNAUGHT.	
3,963	6,494	263	1,700	88	24	6	81	31	ALL IRELAND.	
45.6	74.8	3.03	19.6	1.0	0.3	0.07	0.9	0.4	{ Percentage to total Number of Schools on 31.12.1900.	

It is gratifying to observe from the above table that in nearly 90 per cent. of our schools some attempt has been made by the teachers to co-operate with us in introducing this great educational reform.

When we published our Revised Programme it was received by the public Press of all shades of opinion, almost without exception, with approval, and it is gratifying to learn from the Reports of our Inspectors that the Programme is being worked with earnestness by the vast majority of our teachers so far as it is possible to do so in the absence of proper training in the special subjects on the part of the great body of the teachers and without appliances for the efficient instruction in the case of others.

To provide a remedy for the defective training of teachers in Hand-and-Eye work, Drawing, Elementary Science and Object Lessons, Cookery and Laundry work, and Vocal Music, we have appointed, with the sanction of the Treasury, a special staff of Organizers and Sub-organizers to form classes of teachers in various parts of the country, and with the co-operation of the local Managers of schools, to spread a knowledge of these branches. There are, at present, over fifty classes of teachers in training under Mr. Bevis, the Head Organizer of Manual Instruction and Drawing, and his Assistants, and these classes are attended by about 2,700 teachers. In addition to this number Mr. Bevis held a special class for the training of teachers at the Central Model Schools last July, at which 366 teachers attended.

Owing to the necessity of providing properly fitted up laboratories, the training in Elementary Science has been comparatively slow. Fifty teachers went through a course of instruction under Mr. Heller, the Head Organizer in this subject, at the Central Model Schools in Dublin, and arrangements are in progress for the holding of similar courses by Mr. Heller and his Assistants in Belfast, Cork, Derry, Waterford, and other important centres.

In Cookery and Laundry work there are sixteen classes in operation, attended by over 250 teachers. These classes are under the care of Miss Fitzgerald, Head Organizer, and her Assistants.

Our Inspector of Music, Mr. Goodman, and his Assistants, have ten classes learning Vocal Music in operation, attended by over 500 teachers.

We have also appointed four Assistants to the Directress of Needlework, Miss Prendergast, and these ladies, acting under her instruction, have been actively employed during the year visiting schools in which female teachers are employed, for the purpose of

giving demonstration lessons in Needlework. They also hold conferences of female teachers on Saturdays with a view to training them in the best methods of teaching sewing.

With the sanction of the Irish Government and the Treasury, we have resolved to assist local Managers by making grants for the provision of suitable equipment for Hand-and-Eye instruction, and for apparatus and equipment in the case of Elementary Science instruction. We regret that the amount of the funds placed at our disposal for these purposes is very limited, but we trust that the grants we shall be enabled to make will prove of material assistance in the development of instruction in these subjects.

53. In 31 National Schools, pupils of Industrial Schools (certified under the Industrial Schools Act) were found in attendance. The number of these pupils on the rolls on the last day of the year was 365 boys and 1,500 girls—total, 1,865; and the average daily attendance was for pupils of all ages, 1,731, and for those of 3 to 15 years of age, 1,624. The Industrial pupils attending school are instructed in the same manner as the ordinary day pupils; but payment for their instruction is not made by us, but by the Industrial Schools Department.

Pupils of
Industrial
Schools
(under
the Act).

Books and Requisites.

54. The list now includes 39 sets of Readers, comprising 294 books. The several classes in our schools are thus provided with a variety of general reading books, as well as with reading books in Irish and English History, Geography, Domestic Economy, and Animal Life. Upwards of 180 varieties of copy-books with head-lines, &c., and over 220 diagrams and books for Object Lessons are also among the articles available for selection by Managers and Teachers. Arrangements are also made by which Managers and Teachers can obtain a large and varied assortment of Kindergarten goods and appliances for hand and eye training.

Books and
requisites.

55. The number of requisitions for the purchase of books, &c., was 24,629, amounting in value to £33,341 5s. 5d., on which we allowed the cost of the remittances to the extent of £182 2s. 6d.

During 1900-1901 there were 167 grants of Free Stock, amounting in value to £643 12s. 4d., made in the case of new schools, and of schools in which extensive structural improvements had been carried out by private contributions. In addition, there were 95 Free Grants to Model Schools, &c., which amounted in value to £107 13s. 7d., and all school account books were given gratuitously. The amount paid during the year for goods purchased for the stores was £28,908 8s.

The issues comprised 1,172,002 reading books and 2,757,716 copy books and drawing books.

The books, requisites, &c., were sold, as nearly as possible, at their cost price; and were sent carriage free to the schools or to the stations and outlying places nearest to them. This expense of transmission amounted to £2,213 3s. 11d., besides a sum of £259 16s. 6d. for postage on small parcels.

Private Contribution Funds.

Carlisle
and Blake
Premiums.

56. The "Carlisle and Blake" Fund is still at the disposal of this Board for the special recognition of distinguished merit shown by Teachers as school-keepers. The Premiums awarded are to the value of £5 to one successful candidate in each school district in every fourth year. Convent, Monastery, and Model Schools are excluded from the competition. The names of the Teachers who secured the Prizes for 1900 will be found in the Appendix.

Reid
Bequest.

57. The "Reid Bequest" special prizes, under the will of the late R. T. Reid, Esq., LL.D., varying from £25 to £10 each, were awarded to twelve male Monitors of National Schools in the County of Kerry for superior answering at competitive examinations for the prizes. The names of the successful competitors for these prizes will also be found in the Appendix.

Commissioners.

Commis-
sioners.

58. We regret that since the date of our last Report to Your Excellency the Board has sustained a most severe loss by the death of one of its ablest members, Professor Fitzgerald.

At our meeting on the 26th February, 1901, we unanimously passed the following resolution:—

RESOLVED,—That we, the Commissioners of National Education, place on the minutes of our proceedings to-day the expression of the deep and sincere sorrow we feel for the loss of our esteemed and gifted colleague, Professor Fitzgerald, who for so many years aided us in our counsels, and actively participated in our educational reforms. His place will, indeed, be hard to fill. He brought to the discharge of his duties as a Commissioner of National Education qualities rarely found combined in one man—high intellectual gifts and scientific attainments, extensive experience as a teacher, the power of application of natural talents to the every-day problems of life, and an earnest desire for the social and moral welfare of his fellow-countrymen, irrespective of creed or class.

The vacancy caused by the death of Professor Fitzgerald has been filled by the appointment of Anthony Traill, Esq., LL.D., M.D., S.F.T.C.D.

Statistics

59. Attached hereto are statistics as to the schools and our financial statement for the year ended 31st March, 1901.

60. We submit this, as our Report for the past year, to Your Excellency, and in testimony thereof have caused our Corporate Seal to be hereunto affixed, this 15th day of July, One Thousand Nine Hundred and One.



(Signed),

A. R. HAMILTON }
P. E. LEMASS, } *Secretaries.*

TABLE A.—Showing the *total* number of Schools in each County on the the total number of Pupils on the Rolls of Schools on 31st December, on the Rolls; and the Total average

PROVINCES AND COUNTIES.	Total Number of Schools in County on 31st Dec., 1901.	Total Number of Schools from which Returns have been received	(a) Total Number of Pupils on Rolls on last day of year.		
			Males.	Females.	Total.
ULSTER:					
Antrim,	701	701	39,742	38,709	78,451
Armagh,	279	279	11,482	11,502	22,984
Cavan,	289	289	8,949	8,595	17,544
Donegal,	434	434	14,900	13,692	28,592
Down,	499	499	24,976	23,867	48,843
Fermanagh,	184	184	5,470	5,122	10,592
Londonderry, . . .	304	304	12,940	11,481	23,521
Monaghan,	189	189	6,238	6,222	12,460
Tyrone,	370	370	11,980	11,638	23,618
Total,	3,249	3,249	135,777	130,828	266,605
MUNSTER:					
Clare,	264	264	10,735	11,174	21,909
Cork,	750	750	33,897	33,985	67,882
Kerry,	364	364	16,556	17,347	33,903
Limerick,	266	266	11,734	13,338	25,072
Tipperary,	326	326	12,464	14,210	26,674
Waterford,	145	145	5,435	7,486	12,921
Total,	2,115	2,115	90,821	99,540	190,361
LEINSTER:					
Carlow,	83	83	2,862	3,023	5,885
Dublin,	327	327	25,296	29,772	55,068
Kildare,	104	104	4,003	4,313	8,316
Kilkenny,	185	185	6,441	6,579	13,020
King's,	122	122	4,880	4,928	9,758
Longford,	114	113	3,917	4,024	7,941
Louth,	107	106	4,297	5,004	9,301
Meath,	178	178	5,907	6,184	12,091
Queen's,	121	120	4,379	4,446	8,825
Westmeath,	140	140	5,105	5,314	10,419
Wexford,	177	177	6,479	7,833	14,312
Wicklow,	137	137	4,998	4,638	9,636
Total,	1,795	1,792	78,514	86,058	164,572
CONNAUGHT:					
Galway,	428	428	17,816	18,469	36,285
Leitrim,	207	207	7,215	6,938	14,153
Mayo,	423	423	18,581	18,821	37,402
Roscommon,	256	256	10,037	10,670	20,707
Sligo,	211	211	8,005	7,771	15,776
Total,	1,525	1,525	61,654	62,669	124,323
ULSTER,	3,249	3,249	135,777	130,828	266,605
MUNSTER,	2,115	2,115	90,821	99,540	190,361
LEINSTER,	1,795	1,792	78,514	86,058	164,572
CONNAUGHT,	1,525	1,525	61,654	62,669	124,323
ALL IRELAND, . . .	8,684	8,681	366,766	379,095	745,861
Per-centages to total on Rolls,	-	-	49.2	50.8	100.0

31st December, 1900; the number of Schools from which Returns were received; 1900; the Religious Denominations of these Pupils; the total average number Daily Attendance for the year.

(b) Religious Denominations,*						(c) Average Number of Pupils on Rolls for the year.	(d) Total Average Daily Attendance for the year.	PROVINCES AND COUNTIES.
R.C.	R.C.	Pres.	Metth.	Others.	Total.			
17,315	19,727	36,442	2,926	2,041	78,451	80,124	54,310	ULSTER:
10,012	7,899	3,887	930	256	22,984	23,817	14,914	Antrim.
14,116	2,690	572	160	0	17,544	18,192	10,309	Armagh.
22,288	3,137	2,834	323	10	28,592	28,527	15,946	Cavan.
10,738	12,567	22,174	1,684	1,680	48,843	50,114	33,547	Donegal.
5,863	4,054	209	451	13	10,590	10,915	6,331	Down.
10,000	4,739	8,278	194	310	23,521	24,022	15,216	Fermanagh.
8,959	1,612	1,799	73	17	12,460	13,076	7,617	Londonderry.
12,092	5,859	4,954	491	222	23,618	24,467	14,403	Monaghan.
								Tyrone.
111,383	62,284	81,149	7,232	4,537	266,605	273,254	172,593	Total.
21,557	308	37	4	2	21,909	22,954	13,733	MUNSTER:
65,194	3,875	244	350	210	69,882	72,283	47,010	Clare.
33,142	698	21	29	13	33,903	35,309	22,228	Cork.
24,222	559	55	99	61	25,072	26,110	17,060	Kerry.
25,518	1,030	78	36	12	26,674	27,608	17,431	Limerick.
12,467	369	36	19	30	12,921	13,623	8,902	Tipperary.
								Waterford.
182,170	6,840	471	546	334	190,361	197,886	126,964	Total.
5,156	703	12	11	3	5,885	6,002	3,672	LEINSTER:
45,930	7,262	725	410	741	55,068	56,684	37,611	Carlow.
7,685	563	46	9	13	8,316	8,600	5,113	Dublin.
12,506	490	22	-	2	13,020	13,554	8,566	Kildare.
9,002	677	36	21	22	9,758	10,040	6,051	Kilkenny.
7,193	656	31	40	16	7,941	8,481	4,702	King's.
8,642	444	174	24	17	9,301	9,814	6,151	Longford.
11,424	624	40	-	3	12,091	12,409	7,786	Louth.
7,817	928	36	31	13	8,825	9,098	5,536	Meath.
9,805	547	26	36	5	10,419	10,730	6,649	Queen's.
13,177	1,098	21	15	1	14,312	14,824	9,128	Westmeath.
7,834	1,637	79	50	36	9,636	9,923	6,073	Wexford.
								Wicklow.
146,176	15,629	1,248	647	872	164,572	170,221	107,038	Total.
35,689	502	81	11	2	36,285	37,785	21,110	CONNAUGHT:
12,747	1,221	31	93	1	14,153	14,757	8,363	Galway.
36,707	597	72	8	18	37,402	39,047	21,015	Leitrim.
20,241	389	61	9	7	20,707	21,548	11,811	Mayo.
14,407	1,153	141	54	21	15,776	16,124	9,330	Roscommon.
								Sligo.
119,791	3,922	386	175	49	124,323	129,261	71,629	Total.
111,383	62,284	81,149	7,232	4,537	266,605	273,254	172,593	ULSTER.
182,170	6,840	471	546	334	190,361	197,886	126,964	MUNSTER.
146,176	15,629	1,248	647	872	164,572	170,221	107,038	LEINSTER.
119,791	3,922	386	175	49	124,323	129,261	71,629	CONNAUGHT.
559,520	88,675	83,254	8,600	5,812	745,861	770,622	478,224	ALL IRELAND.
75.0	11.9	11.2	1.1	0.8	100.0	62.0		

Per-centages to total on Rolls.

Forcentage of average daily attendance to average number on Rolls.

TABLE B.—Showing, according to Provinces and Counties, the number of ROMAN of the 3,088 SCHOOLS from which Returns have been

PROVINCES AND COUNTIES.	Total No. of Schools.	Under Roman Catholic Teachers.							Under		
		No. of Schools.	R.C.	E.C.	Pres.	Meth.	Others.	Total.	No. of Schools.	R.C.	
ULSTER.											
Antrim,	250	60	4,193	139	339	—	5	4,678	186	833	
Armagh,	104	42	3,363	210	83	5	2	3,663	61	367	
Cavan,	123	98	5,825	424	37	10	1	6,297	23	233	
Donegal,	202	119	9,833	503	277	12	3	9,626	83	976	
Down,	231	65	4,949	196	255	4	13	5,417	161	937	
Fermanagh,	103	54	2,702	558	23	25	4	3,313	43	410	
Londonderry,	167	62	3,626	174	342	3	15	4,060	103	991	
Monaghan,	93	64	4,193	150	143	—	1	4,492	27	193	
Tyrone,	231	114	6,019	533	323	56	17	6,975	115	969	
Total,	1,504	678	43,613	2,912	1,824	115	61	48,527	307	3,903	
MUNSTER.											
Clare,	59	58	5,836	162	7	3	2	6,010	1	1	
Cork,	232	214	22,257	695	18	17	11	22,968	14	66	
Kerry,	102	90	10,897	323	3	9	5	11,149	4	16	
Limerick,	58	54	4,357	181	10	16	22	5,186	2	22	
Tipperary,	103	94	8,097	291	26	2	10	8,426	8	47	
Waterford,	23	22	1,603	86	10	1	9	1,709	1	14	
Total,	577	540	53,557	1,650	74	48	59	55,333	30	146	
LEINSTER.											
Carlow,	29	26	2,632	64	3	2	—	2,701	3	20	
Dublin,	90	55	10,132	176	15	6	1	10,330	23	69	
Kildare,	36	36	3,239	97	8	—	4	3,348	—	—	
Kilkenny,	54	53	3,582	172	4	—	2	3,760	1	33	
King's,	53	48	3,925	202	4	4	7	4,142	4	16	
Longford,	43	45	3,244	124	9	7	3	3,387	3	37	
Louth,	31	26	1,904	73	7	—	—	1,984	5	39	
Meath,	69	64	3,964	176	13	—	—	4,153	3	41	
Queen's,	43	41	3,270	149	5	2	3	3,431	2	3	
Westmeath,	34	34	2,796	94	3	—	—	2,893	—	—	
Wexford,	66	59	5,574	210	1	1	1	5,787	7	31	
Wicklow,	42	34	2,219	113	4	—	4	2,340	8	67	
Total,	594	521	46,471	1,650	76	22	27	48,346	61	417	
CONNAUGHT.											
Galway,	93	92	8,939	253	14	4	—	9,110	1	4	
Leitrim,	78	74	5,060	410	11	11	—	5,512	4	13	
Mayo,	36	30	7,575	233	3	3	13	7,822	6	24	
Roscommon,	61	58	5,111	167	17	6	—	5,301	3	31	
Sligo,	93	91	6,365	338	12	5	1	6,721	4	45	
Total,	413	393	32,970	1,401	62	29	14	34,476	18	115	
GROSS TOTAL,	3,088	2,134	176,613	7,613	2,036	214	161	186,637	916	6,581	

CATHOLIC and PROTESTANT Pupils on the Rolls on the 31st December, 1900, received, and which were attended by both Denominations.

Protestant Teachers.					Under Roman Catholic and Protestant Teachers.							PROVINCES AND COUNTIES.
E.C.	Pres.	Meth.	Others	Total.	No. of Schools	R.C.	E.C.	Pres.	Meth.	Others.	Total.	
ULSTER.												
6,002	11,303	504	470	18,904	4	338	302	244	23	14	921	Antrim.
1,580	1,160	266	80	4,193	1	3	47	66	10	4	130	Armagh.
739	161	30	-	1,158	2	116	25	58	5	-	204	Cavan.
1,268	1,707	169	-	4,109	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Donegal.
5,535	8,487	631	708	17,388	5	254	111	118	2	-	465	Down.
1,490	116	205	5	2,426	1	34	66	-	18	-	118	Fermanagh.
1,015	3,887	25	133	6,041	2	62	17	40	-	-	119	Londonderry.
434	719	1	6	1,355	2	68	40	4	-	-	112	Monaghan.
2,610	2,697	252	123	6,661	2	228	78	71	-	-	377	Tyrone.
22,291	31,257	2,074	1,693	63,130	19	1,683	686	601	58	18	2,446	Total.
MUNSTER.												
34	-	-	-	35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Clare.
692	56	56	14	823	4	489	158	9	28	23	698	Cork.
125	5	-	4	139	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Kerry.
45	-	-	-	67	2	16	92	16	30	34	188	Limerick.
239	20	18	1	315	1	11	42	7	3	-	63	Tipperary.
80	5	4	15	118	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Waterford.
1,145	86	77	24	1,508	7	507	292	32	61	57	949	Total.
LEINSTER.												
149	-	-	-	169	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Carlow.
1,949	921	173	335	2,747	10	2,003	289	63	19	32	2,416	Dublin.
19	-	-	-	72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Kildare.
192	15	7	-	250	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Kilkenny.
56	-	3	7	105	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	King's.
137	32	2	-	261	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Longford.
58	8	-	-	107	2	250	42	-	-	-	292	Louth.
108	-	-	-	111	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Meath.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Queen's.
220	1	6	-	308	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Westmeath.
577	11	1	-	456	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Wexford.
3,327	288	192	342	4,566	12	2,253	341	63	19	32	2,708	Wicklow.
Total.												
CONNAUGHT.												
22	9	3	-	48	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Galway.
109	2	19	1	142	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Lestrim.
85	37	-	-	156	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mayo.
108	-	-	1	140	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Monaghan.
111	-	-	5	161	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Sligo.
435	48	22	7	647	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Total.
37,223	51,679	3,365	1,988	68,851	38	3,843	1,819	636	138	107	6,105	GROSS TOTAL.

TABLE C.—Showing, according to Provinces and Counties, the number of (a) ROMAN CATHOLIC, and (b) PROTESTANT Pupils on Rolls on 31st December, 1900; of 5,585 Schools, from which returns have been received, attended *solely* by one Denomination.

PROVINCES AND COUNTIES.	Total Number of unmixed Schools.	Under Roman Catholic Teachers.		Under Protestant Teachers.						
		Number of Schools.	(a) No. of Pupils. R. C.	No. of Schools.	(b) No. of Pupils—Protestants.					
			E. C.		Pres.	Meth.	Others.	Total.		
ULSTER.										
Antrim,	449	92	11,947	337	13,265	24,421	2,394	1,442	41,522	
Armagh,	174	64	6,325	110	5,292	2,578	649	170	8,639	
Cavan,	166	119	7,692	47	1,502	376	115	5	1,998	
Donegal,	232	177	12,479	55	1,368	850	151	7	2,376	
Down,	263	59	4,613	209	6,705	12,314	1,047	879	20,945	
Fermanagh,	81	43	2,717	38	1,740	70	203	6	2,019	
Londonderry,	137	47	5,421	90	2,943	4,069	186	162	7,390	
Monaghan,	95	55	4,498	40	453	832	72	10	1,317	
Tyrone,	138	69	4,876	78	2,593	1,636	179	82	4,590	
Total,	1,740	716	60,773	1,024	36,331	47,336	4,976	2,763	91,406	
MUNSTER.										
Clare,	205	200	15,720	5	113	30	1	—	144	
Cork,	316	449	42,390	67	2,460	161	259	87	2,967	
Kerry,	262	233	22,319	9	248	13	20	4	285	
Limerick,	208	291	19,297	7	241	29	53	11	334	
Tipperary,	223	209	17,363	14	468	25	13	1	540	
Waterford,	122	113	10,850	9	203	21	14	6	244	
Total,	1,536	1,425	127,939	111	3,733	279	360	160	4,481	
LEINSTER.										
Carlow,	54	39	2,504	15	490	9	9	3	511	
Dublin,	236	161	33,726	75	4,838	426	212	252	5,728	
Kildare,	68	52	4,446	16	466	38	9	9	529	
Kilkenny,	131	122	8,871	9	299	18	—	—	317	
King's,	70	59	5,061	11	263	17	10	15	305	
Longford,	65	50	3,917	13	474	22	30	6	532	
Louth,	75	67	6,700	8	174	185	22	17	348	
Meath,	109	96	7,169	13	348	19	—	3	370	
Queen's,	77	57	4,544	20	671	31	29	8	739	
Westmeath,	106	93	7,019	13	453	28	36	5	517	
Wexford,	111	91	7,522	20	668	19	8	—	695	
Wicklow,	95	63	5,543	32	1,147	64	49	32	1,292	
Total,	1,137	950	97,085	247	10,311	821	414	350	11,896	
CONNAUGHT.										
Galway,	335	328	26,846	7	217	58	4	2	281	
Letterkenny,	129	103	7,656	26	762	18	63	—	843	
Mayo,	337	327	29,108	19	269	27	5	5	306	
Roscommon,	145	191	15,069	4	114	44	3	6	167	
Sligo,	116	98	7,397	20	794	129	49	15	987	
Total,	1,112	1,045	86,706	67	2,066	276	134	28	2,494	
ULSTER,	1,740	716	60,773	1,024	36,331	47,336	4,976	2,763	91,406	
MUNSTER,	1,536	1,425	127,939	111	3,733	279	360	160	4,481	
LEINSTER,	1,137	950	97,085	247	10,311	821	414	350	11,896	
CONNAUGHT,	1,112	1,045	86,706	67	2,066	276	134	28	2,494	
GRAND TOTAL,	5,585	4,136	372,453	1,449	52,441	48,712	5,874	3,250	110,277	

* There are eight other schools which cannot be brought under the headings in this Table, viz.—Two in Antrim, one in Monaghan, one in Tyrone, one in Cork, and one in Dublin, with attendances exclusively non-Catholic, but with Roman Catholic Teachers on the staff; and also one school in Armagh and one in Cork with the attendances exclusively Roman Catholic, and the teaching staff Protestant and Roman Catholic.

TABLE D.—The following Table, compiled from returns furnished through the Managers, shows for each Province and County the amounts received by the Teaching Staff in (a) school fees, and also (b) their receipts from other sources of local aid during the year ended 31st December, 1900.

NOTE.—In most of the schools no fees are charged, and in the remainder only the excess-fees authorized under the Act of 1892.

PROVINCES AND COUNTIES.	Payments by Pupils.	Other Local Aid (including Rates).	Total.
ULSTER:			
Andover,	£ s. d. 1,053 19 4	£ s. d. 3,292 17 3	£ s. d. 4,346 16 7
Armagh,	113 5 1	845 6 3	958 11 4
Cavan,	4 18 0	881 16 8	886 14 8
Donegal,	15 3 0	1,007 4 5	1,022 7 5
Down,	773 0 0	2,460 3 3	3,233 3 3
Fermanagh,	43 5 11	673 17 3	717 3 2
Londonderry,	150 10 6	1,749 14 7	1,900 5 1
Monaghan,	17 10 10	323 15 2	341 6 0
Tyrone,	93 9 1	860 18 2	954 7 3
Total,	2,263 1 9	12,095 18 0	14,360 14 9
MUNSTER:			
Clare,	95 0 6	221 16 2	316 16 8
Cork,	749 14 9	3,482 15 4	4,232 10 1
Kerry,	67 13 0	576 14 5	644 7 5
Limerick,	251 4 8	1,998 10 10	2,249 15 6
Tipperary,	178 7 2	1,119 13 1	1,298 0 3
Waterford,	101 6 0	624 10 10	725 16 10
Total,	1,443 6 1	8,024 0 8	9,467 6 9
LEINSTER:			
Carlow,	3 17 6	391 16 6	395 14 0
Dublin,	758 2 9	2,995 0 3	3,753 3 0
Kildare,	81 1 1	471 5 9	552 6 10
Kilkenny,	14 0 5	544 15 0	558 15 5
King's,	57 2 1	517 18 2	575 0 3
Longford,	69 0 4	291 11 4	360 11 8
Louth,	95 10 6	395 11 9	491 2 3
Meath,	75 4 4	1,497 6 8	1,492 11 0
Queen's,	41 7 11	505 1 1	544 9 0
Westmeath,	13 12 6	557 12 2	571 4 8
Wexford,	35 9 2	800 8 0	845 7 2
Wicklow,	112 8 6	1,401 9 4	1,513 17 10
Total,	1,357 7 1	10,196 16 0	11,554 3 1
CONNAUGHT:			
Galway,	8 17 0	1,112 6 10	1,194 3 10
Leitrim,	27 0 0	275 15 8	302 15 8
Mayo,	111 15 4	550 15 10	662 11 2
Roscommon,	126 5 6	384 0 0	510 5 6
Sligo,	75 7 6	298 8 6	373 16 0
Total,	422 5 4	2,621 6 10	3,043 12 2
Grand Total,	400 0 3	32,837 16 6	33,425 16 9

TABLE E.

The total number of students in Training annually in the various Colleges since 1883, and the annual Grants to these Colleges, are set forth in the following Table:—

Year.	"Marlborough Street."			"St. Patrick's."			"Our Lady of Mercy."			"Church of Ireland."			"De La Salle."			Total.		
	Students.*		Amount.	Students.	Amount.	Students.	Amount.	Students.	Amount.	Students.	Amount.	Students.	Amount.	Students.	Amount.	Students.	Amount.	Total.
	Males.	Females.																
1883-4.	87	99	7,853 19 5	62	1,644 0 0	94	1,820 0 0	—	—	—	—	150	184	150	184	11,017 19 5	—	—
1884-5.	81	91	7,762 12 1	127	4,951 4 11	99	3,369 17 3	14	45	1,104 0 0	—	232	238	232	238	17,189 14 3	—	—
1885-6.	98	101	7,945 5 1	145	6,388 2 5	141	4,085 18 7	31	68	9,795 0 9	—	297	308	297	308	21,212 8 10	—	—
1886-7.	—	—	—	148	5,248 14 6	148	5,013 7 8	32	62	3,553 19 0	—	275	312	275	312	22,681 9 2	—	—
1887-8.	100	99	7,614 10 7	146	6,035 14 8	159	5,165 10 11	29	73	3,827 0 10	—	275	322	275	322	23,113 3 0	—	—
1888-9.	100	100	7,993 14 10	145	6,395 18 0	150	5,335 12 2	26	72	3,717 8 0	—	271	322	271	322	22,445 11 6	—	—
1889-90.	—	—	—	145	6,328 11 7	150	4,138 8 11	35	72	3,023 0 1	—	278	321	278	321	21,405 10 5	—	—
1890-1.	99	99	7,384 8 7	148	6,629 5 2	150	6,407 10 2	34	85	3,815 11 0	—	283	314	283	314	23,388 12 11	—	—
1891-2.	101	102	9,421 10 9	148	8,097 2 0	150	5,184 17 4	38	87	4,833 4 11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1892-3.	97	107	10,135 9 0	100	10,346 9 7	150	7,281 5 0	83	73	6,923 7 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1893-4.	95	105	9,015 4 11	100	10,207 15 4	150	7,067 0 0	86	63	5,819 6 11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1894-5.	98	110	9,410 7 10	165	10,928 18 0	150	7,069 11 11	42	70	5,979 14 8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1895-6.	103	114	10,104 7 4	164	10,943 2 3	150	8,585 16 7	54	69	5,849 7 8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1896-7.	105	143	10,971 7 5	164	10,769 8 2	162	7,943 9 1	43	73	5,914 9 6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1897-8.	121	141	11,031 13 0	165	11,054 0 4	153	7,122 7 7	40	73	5,427 14 3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1898-9.	120	164	12,063 8 8	161	10,956 7 3	155	7,460 19 8	44	71	5,434 6 10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1899-1900.	120	155	13,719 5 10	155	10,940 15 3	162	7,584 1 0	47	71	6,401 9 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total Grants.	—	—	145,825 14 3	—	139,773 8 10	—	97,633 17 10	—	—	76,102 1 0	—	—	—	—	—	45,461 17 6	—	—

* Externs not included.

† The Marlborough-street College was kept in repair, and supplied with fuel, light, &c., by the Board of Works, up to 31st August, 1890. The amounts entered in the above Table under head of "Marlborough-street," do not include the cost of these incidents prior to 1891-2, no separate account of them having been kept.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

FROM

1ST APRIL, 1900, TO 31ST MARCH, 1901,

SHOWING THE FUNDS AT THE DISPOSAL

OF

THE COMMISSIONERS

OF

NATIONAL EDUCATION, IRELAND,

AND HOW THESE FUNDS HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED

P. YOUNG,

Financial Assistant Secretary.

The following STATEMENT of ACCOUNT will show the FUNDS at have been

CHARGE.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
The balance on 1st April, 1900,	—			41,743	15	7
Parliamentary Grant.						
Ordinary Grant, 1900-1901,	£1,024,069	0	0			
Special Grant in aid of Teachers' Pension Fund,	18,000	0	0			
Supplemental Capitation Grant in respect of years 1892-6,	95,434	0	0			
School Grant,	250,000	0	0			
				1,387,503	0	0
Rates.						
Contributions from Rates by the Guardians of Poor Law Unions in aid of Results Fees to Teachers of National Schools,				* 53	0	0
Appropriations in Aid.						
Model Schools:—						
School Fees received from Pupils attending Model Schools. (A portion of these fees (£209 13s. 1d.) is included in the payments made by the Commissioners to the Teachers of these Schools: the remainder (£2,000) was appropriated in aid of the Vote),				2,209	13	1
Book and School Apparatus Department:—						
Net Amount received for Books and other School Requisites sold to National Schools (appropriated in aid of the Vote),				33,230	19	0
Sundry other Receipts in aid of Vote for 1900-1901,				168	4	11
Miscellaneous.						
Private Contribution Fund:—						
Dividends on Legacies and Donations (private contributions) invested in Government Securities,				356	19	11
Income Tax deductions, payable to Inland Revenue Department,				1,603	7	7
Sundry repayments of moneys due to the account of the Vote of previous year (1899-00),				446	11	9
Stoppages from Quarterly Salaries of Teachers of one-fourth Premiums for Pensions, under Act 42 & 43 Vic., c. 74, 1879,				23,404	0	8
Premiums of Insurance of Sundry Officers in Service of Board (North British and Mercantile Insurance Company),				1,452	8	3
Carried forward,				1,492,172	0	9

* Some small amounts supplemental to Rates voted for the preceding year 1899 when the Unions ceased to contribute under the Act of 1875.

the disposal of the COMMISSIONERS in 1900-1901, and how they distributed:—

DISCHARGE.			
OFFICE IN DUBLIN:			
	£	s.	d.
Salaries and Wages,	24,566	10	1
Travelling Expenses,	633	15	5
Legal Expenses,	402	16	2
Rent,	205	7	7
Incidental Expenses,	411	2	4
			26,219 11 7
INSPECTION:			
Salaries,	33,647	1	5
Travelling and Personal Allowances, .	13,612	9	9
			47,259 11 2
TRAINING:			
Marlborough-street Training College, .	13,416	18	11
Training Colleges, under local management,	33,391	19	10
			46,808 18 9
MODEL SCHOOLS (Payments for Maintenance, Pupil Teachers, Paid Monitors, and Special Teachers, Matrons, &c.):			
Central,	1,106	9	3
Metropolitan, District, and Minor, .	9,204	5	7
			10,310 14 10
NATIONAL SCHOOLS: *			
Salaries in Ordinary and Model Schools of Principal and Assistant Teachers, Workmistresses, and Monitors (except Monitors in Model Schools), and Gratuities,	£736,477	17	1
Results-Fees and } Equivalent } Grant in lieu } of Results,	239,746	15	3
Irish Education Act (1892) Grant,	146,747	18	6
Retiring Gratuities,	190	13	1
Incidental Expenditure,	46	0	8
Free Grants of Books and School Requisites,†	643	12	4
			1,123,852 16 11
MISCELLANEOUS:			
Easter and July Examination Expenses, .	1,230	2	1
Organizing Teachers,	612	15	9
Commission to Local Postmasters, . .	174	3	0
			2,017 0 10
Carried forward,	—		£1,256,468 14 1

* Including the portion of the School Fees (see page 20) appropriated towards payment of the Teachers. This sum also includes the Salaries of Principals and Assistant Teachers of Model Schools now payable out of vote under sub-head E1.

† The total Free Grants granted in 1900-1901 amounted to £776 15s. 6d., as follows:—Ordinary National Schools, £643 12s. 4d.; Model Schools, £197 13s. 7d.; Manual and Practical Instruction, £21 12s. 6d.; O.E. in purposes, £3 11s.

‡ Exclusive of £5,665 6s. 8d., from Local Taxation (Customs and Excise) Fund, and of £75,036 7s. from Supplemental or Capitation Grant in respect to years 1892-3. See page 55.

EXPENDITURE during the Year—*continued.*

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward,	—	—	—	1,236,468	14	1
MANUAL AND PRACTICAL INSTRUCTION :						
Salaries, Travelling, &c.,	11,499	19	9			
Equipment Grants,	999	14	9			
				12,499	14	6
Agricultural Schools, Gardens, Classes, .	—	—	—	1,103	6	10
BOOK AND SCHOOL APPARATUS DEPARTMENT :						
Purchase of Books and other requisites, carriage of parcels, and materials for packing, &c.,	31,239	9	7			
Wages of Packers, &c., &c.,	810	18	6			
				32,050	8	1
Mortgages of Rentcharge of Teachers' Re- sidences repaid by Commissioners, .	—	—	—	4,998	16	0
Private Contribution Fund, Payments to Schools from,	—	—	—	325	10	0
Grant in aid of Teachers' Pension Fund, paid over to Teachers' Pension Office, .	—	—	—	18,000	0	0
SUPPLEMENTAL CAPITATION GRANT in respect to years 1892-6 :						
Paid to Teachers,	75,036	7	0			
„ Teachers' Pension Fund,	20,307	13	0			
				95,434	0	0
LOCAL TAXATION (Customs and Excise) :						
Paid to Teachers of N. Schools,	5,665	6	0*	—		
„ Guardians of Poor Law Unions in aid of Poor Rates,	—	—	—	5,665	6	6
INCOME TAX :						
Payments to Inland Revenue Depart- ment of deductions for Income Tax, .	—	—	—	1,517	15	5
Payment to Pensions Fund of amounts stopped from Quarterly Salaries of Teachers, under the Act 42 & 43 Vic., c. 74, 1879,	—	—	—	23,404	0	8
Insurance Premium paid over to North British and Mercantile Insurance Co., .	—	—	—	1,452	8	3
RATES CONTRIBUTIONS ACCOUNT :						
Paid to the Teachers,	—	—	—	1,399	6	0
Sundry debits to the Vote for 1899-1900, Balance of Parliamentary Vote of 1899-1900 surrendered,	—	—	—	37	4	11
	—	—	—	11,123	11	5
Balance on 31st March, 1901,	£			26,691	18	1
Total,	£			1,492,172	0	9

* Balance due from preceding year.

NAMES OF THE COMMISSIONERS
OF
NATIONAL EDUCATION IN IRELAND
On March 31, 1901,

ACCORDING TO THE DATES OF THEIR RESPECTIVE APPOINTMENTS.

	Year of Appointment.
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17th July, 1901.

GENTLEMEN,

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I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed), D. HARREL.

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